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LAST REGULAR MEETING.

The Town Council held its last regular meeting last Thursday evening. Quiet and harmony prevailed.

The last regular meeting of the present Town Council was held at the City Hall last Thursday evening with President Creasy, Knorr, Gorry, Wilson and Hartman present. The ordinance accepting the streets and alleys, and establishing grade in the Neal addition was read, and on motion of Gorry and Wilson it was adopted and ordered published.

A petition was presented asking for an arc light at Iron and Eighth Streets.

Upon motion it was laid on the table for future action.

BUILDING PERMITS.

Building permits were asked for and granted as follows:

To G. B. Martin for the erection of a blacksmith shop on rear of his lot on Light Street road, and also given permission to move his scales.

To the M. E. church for the erection of a stone edifice, corner of Market and Third Streets, and for a tabernacle on Market Street next to the Leader store.

To Dr. J. J. Brown for an addition to his office on Market Street.

To J. L. Richardson for a house on Second street between Mrs. Mendenhall's and F. J. Richards.

BILLS.

Bills were presented as follows and Secretary directed to issue orders for same:

J. K. Bittenbender, straw for fountain.....	\$ 20
Gas Co., July 6 to Feb. 28, '96	37 15
C. P. Armstrong, for damage to his wheat by Town while hauling slate.....	5 00
Hutchings & Co., sewer pipe &c.....	31 59
J. H. Geiger, work on street and alley.....	10 00
G. W. Keiter, work on road near aqueduct.....	8 60
J. D. Armstrong, oil, soap, &c	3 20
W. F. Hartman, iron, tin & work.....	8 40
D. L. & W. R. R. freight on pipe.....	3 60
Sentinel, printing paper book and notice.....	7 00
H. G. Eshleman, clevis and link.....	1 25
S. Knorr & Son, smithing.....	5 80
A. V. Hower, watchman, services.....	7 00
Harman & Hassert, crossing plates.....	9 00
G. B. Martin, Smithing.....	1 95
L. Gross, policeman's suit....	14 50
G. M. Quick, clerk Q. S., fees for self and viewers in the matter of opening Jefferson Street.....	86 35
J. J. Brower, one crossing stone.....	1 00
E. A. Searles, putting in glass	25
J. R. Schuyler, nails, &c.....	1 78
Ada Manning, type writing....	75
James Scarlet, atty. in equity case of Drinker vs. Town	200 00
Water Co., for cinder.....	17 00
Water Co., for fire hydrants	88 34
Water Co., for plug, box, &c and putting same in at Seventh and Market streets	87 55
Four policeman for February	60 00
Constable.....	4 16
Secretary.....	20 00
Total.....	\$726 44

A bill from Welliver & Roadamel for smithing, was returned to be itemized. And bill from the Water Co., of \$3.82 for repairs to gutter on Iron street, was held over.

T. B. Hanly asked Council to exonerate Mrs. B. F. Savits from payment of taxes on her home on account of her straightened circumstances. Action on this to be taken when other exonerations are considered.

C. W. Neal appeared and spoke about alley in rear of the Holter and Lemon properties, when he was agreeably surprised to learn that the matter so far as the Town was concerned had already been disposed of by adopting the ordinance.

No further business appearing Council adjourned to meet at call of the President.

C. Charleston, who gives Philadelphia as his residence, was arrested Saturday evening by policeman Baum on the charge of drunkenness, and placed in the station house. He was given a hearing Monday morning by President Creasy, and fined \$5.00. Not being able to pay the fine he was committed to jail for as many days. He is the party who has been around the town for some time trading horses, &c.

FOR ARMENIAN SUFFERERS.

An Enthusiastic Meeting Held in the Court House Sunday Afternoon.—Addresses Made, Collection Taken and Committees Appointed.

In response to a call as published in the papers a large number of our citizens met at the Court House last Sunday afternoon to take action in regard to the Armenian question, and to give substantial evidence of their sympathy with the people of that country in their sore distress. The meeting was called to order by Col. J. G. Freeze, and Hon. E. R. Ikeler was elected President; S. C. Creasy, A. Z. Schoch, O. W. Cherrington, H. G. Supplee, J. P. Welsh, C. G. Barkley, Esq., George E. Elwell Esq., James C. Brown, L. E. Waller Esq., Paul E. Wirt, Wm. Krickbaum and Rev. P. A. Heilman Vice Presidents; W. L. Eyerly and C. M. Terwilliger, Secretaries; E. B. Tustin, Treasurer.

After a prayer by Rev. Weeks of the Baptist church, and singing by a choir, the President in an able and eloquent manner stated the object of the meeting and the claim these people had upon us. This is not a matter of charity, but it is our duty to contribute to this cause, because they are undergoing all this persecution on account of their religious belief. He was followed by Col. Freeze, Prof. C. H. Albert and Dr. J. P. Welsh, each of whom in an able manner described the suffering these people were sustaining and called upon the assembly to respond in a liberal manner to their appeal for aid.

The following resolutions were offered by Rev. I. M. Patterson and adopted:

WHEREAS, A state of lawlessness and religious persecution exists in Armenia, which has already cost the lives of sixty thousand innocent and helpless persons, and brought abject misery, destitution and want upon nearly four hundred thousand more, with disease and other calamities attending such a condition of affairs, therefore be it

Resolved: That we, citizens of Bloomsburg, this day assembled in mass meeting, deeply deplore and regret the existing state of things in Armenia, heartily sympathize with this outraged and suffering people, and call upon our government to use its good offices to carry into effect measures, by which relief may be speedily given to them, and that American missionaries, the churches which they have gathered, and the educational institutions which they have organized be protected.

Resolved: That we raise immediately, by voluntary contribution, as large a sum of money as possible, and forward the same through the proper channels to relieve this bodily suffering and want; thus visibly and tangibly showing our sympathy with these, our fellow Christians, in this their season of sore calamity and trial.

Remarks of a general character were made by Rev. B. C. Conner and Rev. I. M. Patterson, whereupon a committee was appointed to wait on the audience and receive their contributions, which amounted to \$145.94

After the meeting had adjourned, the president appointed a committee to wait upon the citizens who were not present Sunday afternoon, and receive their contribution to this fund.

C. M. TERWILLIGER, Sec'y.
W. L. EYERLY, Attest.

WILLIAM WOLF DEAD.

William Wolf, of Fifth Street, died at his residence last Saturday afternoon, at five o'clock, after an illness of only three weeks. Up until the time he was taken sick he enjoyed the best of health, following his usual avocation of drayman, and coming home on the evening of February 20th he complained of being sick, went to bed, from which sickness he never recovered. The best of medical aid was employed, but all without avail and at the time above mentioned he passed away. In-as-much as his disease seemed to baffle the skill of the physicians, a post mortem examination was held, and it was found that he had a cancer in the large bowel, which was the cause of his death. He was about forty-six years of age, and leaves to survive him a widow who has the sympathy of the community in this her sad bereavement. The funeral services were held in the Lutheran Church Tuesday afternoon, and the services conducted by his pastor, Rev. P. A. Heilman.

C. M. Hess has laid a new pavement along his property on Third Street.

The Proper Subject

TO TALK ON just now is Spring Merchandise. No use pestering you with heavy weight goods or conversation. The weather won't permit. Half of March is nearly over. Bright sunshiny days are bound to come. We're prepared ahead. Our Spring goods are all awaiting your wants. Handsomer styles and patterns, and prices considerably under past seasons. Make yourself acquainted with this store. It's bound to benefit you—and us. Come whenever you've time to shop.

Spring Hats.



All fashionable shades and colors in Stiff, Fedora and Crush from 50c. to \$3.00. Agents for Stetson's celebrated hats.

Spring Overcoats....

Just the proper thing for chilly days when its too warm to wear the heavy coat. Save the price from the doctor.

All wool comfortable grey mixed coat \$5.00. English Thibet black or grey mixed coat, \$6.50. Fine covert cloth \$10.00. Extra swell covert with serge lining \$15.00. Grey, steel and black imported clay worsteds \$10.00.

Boys' Fancy Suits.



Fauntleroy, Ferris, Juniors, Wash, Sailor, and Reefer.

We particularly call your attention to a beautifully made Junior suit with fancy braid, all wool, fast color, blue and brown, age 3 to 7, at \$1.48.

BOYS' Plain Suits.



All wool fast color, double sewed, double knees, extra waistband in a number of shades.

SPECIAL PRICE, \$1.48. THINK OF IT!

J. M. GIDDING & CO.

MRS. SARAH CATHOART DEAD.

Mrs. Sarah, widow of Robert Cathcart, died at her residence on Market Street, last Thursday afternoon, about two o'clock, aged eighty-seven years, two months and twenty-two days. Whilst her health had not been good for some time, yet the illness which was the immediate cause of her death had been of only a comparatively short duration. Her maiden name was Barkley, and she was born in this place, where she continuously resided up until her death. She was first married to Elias Furman, and after his death, to Robert Cathcart, who died in 1884. She left to survive her three children, Mrs. Rev. E. T. Hughes of Logansport Ind., Mrs. M. J. widow of Calvin Achenbach, and A. B. Cathcart who are residing at the homestead. The funeral services were held Saturday afternoon, and conducted by her pastor Rev. I. M. Patterson, and the interment was in the Rosemont cemetery which was largely attended by her friends, who in this manner expressed the respect they bore for her memory.

Methodist Church Services.

The regular services will be held in the Methodist Church next Sunday morning. At 2 o'clock P. M. there will be administered to children the rite of baptism in connection with the Junior Epworth League services. At 2:30 the rite of baptism will be administered to adults, and at 3:00 o'clock there will be a congregational meeting. This will be a memorial service for the old church, and addresses will be delivered by the older members of the congregation, which will be reminiscent. A full attendance is desired as it will be the last opportunity you will have of worshipping in the present building.

We are informed that a movement is on foot to have the village of Stillwater incorporated into a borough. The people of that village are of a prosperous, progressive and energetic class, and we feel certain that should they succeed, they have the necessary pluck and push to avail themselves of the facilities and advantages that incorporation into a borough sometimes confers.

Lecture at Centralia.

On Tuesday evening, March 17th, Rev. Father Costigan, curate of St. Ignatius Roman Catholic Church Centralia, will lecture in the church for the benefit of that religious institution. The subject will relate to the offices of St. Patrick's Day, and will prove an interesting one. Father Costigan is quoted as an able orator and lecturer, and doubtless will be listened to by a large and appreciative audience.

Prof. Howe's phonograph more than fulfilled the expectations of our public, who crowded the Clinton Baptist church last Friday evening. Every number displayed new wonders, and won fresh expressions of delight. It was, in fact, a concert in which the music of all sorts of instruments was enjoyed at the hands of the best performers in the land, as well as rare singing and a rich blending of funny features; besides a Scripture reading which was marvelously impressive, and a doxology which was indescribably grand.—Clinton Democrat.

The above entertainment will be given in the Methodist church on the evening of March 19th, under the auspices of the Epworth League.

While other congregations are either improving their property or building new churches, the Reformed congregation has been steadily adding to its membership, and has outgrown its environments. It is now proposed, either that the parsonage shall be torn down and a new one erected, or a new building purchased which shall be used for that purpose, and the present ground kept for the enlarged church, which will be built in the near future. Under the pastorate of Rev. C. H. Brandt the church has grown largely in the last few years.

Y. P. S. O. E.

There will be a grand rally of the Christian Endeavor Societies of Bloomsburg in the Reformed Church next Sunday evening, March 15, at 6:15 o'clock. Let every Endeavorer come and help to make this meeting the best union Christian Endeavor meeting ever held in Bloomsburg.

An Evening With Calliepie Girls

The young ladies of the Calliepie Literary Society of the B. S. N. S., entertained their friends on Saturday evening with a rich literary and musical program. The hall was tastefully trimmed with cut flowers, palms, and the colors of the society, and the audience was larger than usual. The girls were dressed in their best and looked very pretty. Miss Martha Brugler presided and the following program was rendered:

Overture.
Poet and Peasant.... "Von Suppe—Brunner"
Miss Mame Wegge.
DEBATE
RESOLVED:—That woman has an equal right and is capable of holding the same positions, as man, in professional life.
AFF. Miss Fox, Miss Moran,
NEG. Miss Wegge, Miss O'Brien,
ESSAY..... Miss Monahan
Dairy Maids March..... Eight Girls
Instrumental Solo.
Spanish Dance..... "Carl Bohm
Miss Billmeyer.
Pantomime.
The Peri..... Miss May O'Mally
Accompanist..... Miss Stump

New Base Ball Rules.

The pitchers' rule has been slightly changed, but the change is an improvement. It provides that a discoloration of the ball is no longer allowed. This is simply a return to the old rule. There isn't much of an advantage anyhow in discoloring the ball. Another slight change that will benefit the pitcher is that the umpires must give the corners of the plate—that is, the ball passing over any part of the plate is called a strike. This will do away with lots of unnecessary kicking over balls and strikes between the umpire, catcher and pitcher.

The Telephone Company have planted new poles on Main street. They are sixty feet in length, the idea of the company being to get them above the electric wires, as they have had considerable trouble with them. The poles are straight and good samples, and if we must have them on the Main street suppose it is as good as we can expect. The work connected with their planting was performed speedily, noiselessly and in a systematic manner.

CONTESTED ELECTION CASE ENDED.

In the case of the contested election for Director of the Poor in Conyngham and Centralia District—Lanahan vs. Cain—the Court, Judge Metzgar specially presiding, held, overruling the findings of the Commissioner, that there were not twenty-five qualified voters on the petition, and that under the law and the agreement of the parties the contest cannot be sustained. He made the following decree:

"Therefore, now, to wit, February 28, 1896, there not being a sufficient number of qualified petitioners as required by law, the petition in this case is quashed, and the proceedings dismissed."

The Judge also entered a rule on the Poor District, to show cause why a decree should not be made against it, for the payment of the costs.

Charge of the Boys' Brigade.

The Boys' Brigade, in connection with the Y. M. C. A. of this place, determined last week to put to practical use the training they had been undergoing during the past winter, and consequently last Saturday afternoon they decided to storm Corell's hill on the opposite side of the creek. They marched over in real military style, and many were the favorable comments passed upon their appearance. The place being reached, they climbed to its summit and charged upon an imaginary foe. The boys had a good time, and returned to the town with a good feeling toward Mr. Boas, their drill master. Soldiers must eat, and consequently a banquet was speedily arranged in the Y. M. C. A. rooms, which was heartily enjoyed by all.

The members of Washington Camp No. 319, P. O. S. of A. of this place presented the widow of Christian Earnest with a purse of money last Friday evening. Mr. Earnest was an honorary member of this camp at the time of his death, and nothing exemplifies the teaching of the order more than such acts of kindness. As it was a voluntary offering by the Camp, and unexpected by Mrs. Earnest it was the more greatly appreciated.

LIVE QUESTIONS.

A Series of Articles Contributed to These Columns by Advanced Thinkers.

NUMBER X.—THE UNITED STATES NOT A REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT. THE REMEDY.

A study of the congressional election return of 1894 proves conclusively that our representative system is a delusion and a snare.

For instance, Massachusetts, with a Republican vote of 191,243, secures 12 representatives, while the Democrats, with 130,893 ballots polled, are represented by only one congressman, or over 7½ Democratic citizens must go to the polls to equal the representative power of one Republican.

Today Illinois is entitled to one Republican congressman for every 22,403 voters, but it takes 161,713 Democrats to gain one representative, or, like Massachusetts the proportion against the Democrats is over 7 to 1.

In Ohio it requires over six times as many voters to elect one Democrat as it does a Republican representative.

In New York state the recent vote stands 22,897 for every Republican representative, while requiring 100,610 Democrats to accomplish the same results, though in the congressional election returns of 1892 it took 31,680 Democrats to equal 43,356 Republicans.

Dear old conservative Pennsylvania secures 28 Republican congressmen for 613,921 ballots polled, while the Democrats have only two for 352,560 votes. Have the Democrats of the Keystone State sunk so low that it requires over eight of them to offset one Republican? If this state had had proportional representation, the representation would have stood 18 Republicans, 11 Democrats and 1 Prohibitionist.

In the states of Iowa, Michigan and Wisconsin the Democrats, with over six times the Republican quota, have no Democratic representation at all.

Indiana leads off as the worst represented state in the Union. The Democrats cast almost 11 times the quota of the Republicans, and yet have not even one representative.

The People's Party adherents polled votes in excess of the average quota and yet in most of the states with no representation at all.

Georgia Populists cast nearly seven times the quota of the Democrats and yet are not represented, while in Texas they have almost ten times the Democratic quota, with the same results. In 1892 the Populists cast 1,046,392 votes, securing 12 representatives, yet in the last election, at the polling 308,330 votes than in 1892, they have only seven congressmen.

Today the Prohibitionists are not represented at all in congress, yet they cast a vote which would entitle them under proportional representation to three congressmen.

These figures prove that our whole system of representation is manifestly unjust. The wonder is that we have submitted to it so long.

The evil lies in our district system. Suppose there were 30,000 votes cast in each of the 30 congressional districts of Pennsylvania, each district being entitled to one representative, with five parties in each district, the vote standing thus: 4,000 Prohibitionists, 5,000 People's Party, 6,000 Single Taxers, 7,000 Republicans, 8,000 Democrats. Yet the mere fact that the Democrats cast 1,000 more votes than any one party—a plurality of 1,000 votes, not a majority—entitles them, under the present system, to the one representative. And the remaining 22,000 people are not represented at all! Carry this illustration through the 30 congressional districts, and we find 120,000 Prohibitionists, 150,000 People's Party, 180,000 Single Taxers, 210,000 Republicans and 240,000 Democrats. Lo and behold, the Democrats march off with the whole 30 congressmen, leaving 660,000 men who actually went to the polls and voted unrepresented!

Is it right? Is it justice that the minority of the total vote should make the laws for the majority?

Must the political fight always narrow itself to two great parties? Is there no hope for the many reform movements? Must corruption and bribery run rampant that one party may succeed by a few votes? Is there no remedy, or must we continue to practically disfranchise a large proportion of the men who actually go to the polls and vote?

There is a remedy, and that remedy is proportional representation, which is that each political party within city, county or state is entitled to representation in proportion to the number of votes each party casts. To secure it we must first abolish all district lines.

For instance, to return to our previous illustration of Pennsylvania, abolish all the 30 districts, making the state into one large district. Suppose the voting power is 900,000, balloting for 30 congressmen. Justice would demand that every one-thirtieth of the 900,000 voters, or every 30,000 men, should receive one representative. Thirty thousand votes is then the quota. With this result, the 120,000 Prohibitionists are entitled to 4 congressmen; the 150,000 People's Party to 5, the 180,000 Single Taxers, 210,000 Republicans and 240,000 Democrats to 6, 7 and 8 congressmen, respectively. Under proportional representation the Democrats, instead of having the whole 30 congressmen, receive only the proportion to which their number of votes entitled them—no more, no less.

Is not this justice? Many people have a dread of adopting any new system, thinking it best to hold to an imperfect one rather than advocate one which has not received the test of experience.

But, unfortunately, proportional representation has stepped from the theoretical to the practical field of politics. It is in operation in several of the cantons of Switzerland and has met with

such overwhelming success that it is only a matter of getting the "political machine" started, when all the cantons of Switzerland will adopt it.

Today only one party can win in any one district. Result, bribery and corruption, in order to be that one party. Under proportional representation all parties can gain representation. Any party can print the names of their candidates on the regular ballot, provided that party can show they can command 1 per cent of the total voting power. Today it is practically impossible for Prohibitionists or Single Taxers to gain the balance of power with any one district. But under this system the Single Taxers could unite all over the state to send one or more representatives to congress or to the state legislature. Then a man will vote with a knowledge that it will count for the party and principles in which he is interested.

For any economic or political reform movement, desiring to work along the line of least resistance, proportional representation is the quickest method to secure real and practical progress. All of whatever political shade of opinion, can unite on this platform. The farmers should take warning from the great loss of voting power and energy of the Populists, who in 1894 secured only seven representatives after polling votes which under proportional representation would have entitled them to 40 members in congress, a loss of 33 members. First secure proportional representation; then reformers can step into the political arena with the knowledge that every vote tells. Once in the field of action people will consider it worth their while to study your principles. As it is now the reformers are practically disfranchised, having no voice in the law-making of the land.

KATHERINE J. MUSSON.
Philadelphia, Jan. 1, 1896.

NUMBER XI.—THE POSSESSORY RIGHT OF SUCCESSIVE GENERATIONS.

Wherever the children of men believe or can be induced or taught to believe in the fatherhood of one God and the brotherhood of all men the principles inculcated by Thomas Jefferson will fair to dominate the political and social relations of the near future. One of the reasons urged by him against the creation of a national debt is of special interest at the present time. In a letter written by him in August, 1813, from which the subjoined quotation is made, he demonstrates the "possessory right of successive generations" thus:

"The generations of men may be considered as bodies or corporations. Each generation has the usufruct of the earth during the period of its continuance. When it ceases to exist that usufruct passes on to the succeeding generation free and unincumbered, and so on successively from one generation to another forever. We may consider each generation as a distinct nation, with a right by the will of its majority to bind themselves, but none to bind the succeeding generation more than the inhabitants of another country. Or the case may be likened to the ordinary one of a tenant for life, who may hypothecate the land for his debts during the continuance of his usufruct, but at his death the reversioner, who is also tenant for life only, receives it exonerated from all burthen. The period of a generation or the term of its life is determined by the laws of mortality. I find that of the numbers of all ages living at any one moment half will be dead in 24 years and 8 months. But leaving out minors, who have not the power of self government, of the adults living at one moment, a majority of whom act for the society, one-half will be dead in 18 years and 8 months.

"At 19 years, then, from the date of a contract, the majority of the contractors are dead and their contract with them. Let this general theory be applied to a particular case: Suppose the annual births in the state of New York to be 23,994; the whole number of its inhabitants will be 617,703, of all ages. Of these, there would constantly be 269,286 minors and 348,417 adults, of which last 174,209 will be a majority. Suppose that majority, on the first day of the year 1794, had borrowed a sum of money equal to the free simple value of the state and to have consumed it in eating, drinking and making merry in their day, or, if you please, in quarrelling and fighting with their unoffending neighbors. Within 18 years and 8 months one-half of the adult citizens were dead. Till then, being the majority, they might rightfully levy the interest of their debt annually on themselves and their fellow revelers or fellow champions. But at that period (say at this moment) a new majority have come into place in their own right and not under the rights the conditions or laws of their predecessors. Are they bound to acknowledge the debt, to consider the preceding generation as having had a right to eat up the whole soil of their country in the course of a life, to alienate it from them (for it would be an alienation to the creditors), and would they think themselves either legally or morally bound to give up their country and to emigrate to another for subsistence? Every one will say no; that the soil is the gift of God to the living, as much as it had been to the deceased generation and that the laws of nature impose no obligation on them to pay this debt. And although, like some other natural rights, this has not yet entered into any declaration of rights, it is no less a law and 'ought to be acted on by honest governments.'"

The reader who will carefully peruse the series of letters from one of which the foregoing extract is made and who will then look around him, at the maladjustment of existing social conditions, will find cumulative evidence tending to prove that in these closing years of the nineteenth century the soil that is "marching on" is not that of John Brown (whose body, etc.), but is, rather, the soul of the patriot statesman, Thomas Jefferson. GEO. C. WORTH.

St. Louis, February, 1896.

HOEBER AND THE DEAD PARROT.

Its Owner Wanted Him to Get Back the Money She Paid for It.

An old woman, who carried a large paper bag, asked to see Coroner Hoeber at the coroner's office, in New York. She was ushered into Coroner Hoeber's private room.

"My bird is dead," said the woman to the coroner.

"What is that?" asked Coroner Hoeber.

"Yes, he only lived a little while after I bought him on Houston street. Such a pretty green parrot, but he—"

"What do I about your bird care?" yelled the coroner, becoming excited.

"I took him to Justice Roesch's court at Second avenue and First street," continued the woman, paying no attention to Hoeber's interruption. "They told me there that, as the bird was dead, you would hold court on him and get me back my money."

"They are all crazy in Roesch's court," vociferated the coroner, dancing about. "We don't cognize take of dead parrots here already. We have all we can do looking after men and women who their brains blow out. Did you think I was a taxidermist?"

"Eliza Thurston Berkland is my name," the woman went on when the coroner's breath gave out, "and I don't want my husband to know that the bird man swindled me. The bird was sick when he sold it to me. 'See,' she added, as she took the dead parrot from the paper bag and laid it on the coroner's desk. 'Look you what a pretty bird. Can't you help me get my money from that swindler on Houston street?'"

"Take yourself and your parrot out of my office quick!" the coroner roared. "This was one contemptible trick played on me, ain't it? I will hear no more from you!"

Mrs. Berkland picked up the dead bird and walked sadly out of the office. Afterward Coroner Hoeber threatened to discharge all the clerks in the general office for sending the woman to him.—New York Sun.

BISMARCK'S BOOK COMES HIGH.

No American Publisher Able to Pay the Price for His Memoirs.

Bismarck holds himself at a great figure in a literary way, as some of the American publishers are finding out. It looked last summer as if at least one of the American editors in Europe would bring back a contract for the American rights to the Iron Chancellor's memoirs. In fact, it was said that one of the New York magazines had secured these rights. Now it appears, however, that the whole matter of American rights is off, at least for the present. As high as \$20,000 was bid for the privilege of the American publication of the memoirs offered. But this was not enough, and as neither publisher nor editor can be found sufficiently daring to increase the amount, the matter remains in statu quo. It will require at least \$10,000 more to induce Bismarck's agent to say yes to an American issuance of his chief work, and even then the publication cannot be made until after death, and some time after that. Furthermore, only the smaller portion of the work is finished—not more than enough for two octavo volumes, while the work will extend to six at least. From all this it is not very likely that the American people will read whatever Bismarck has chosen or may choose to write for some time to come. That much is certain.

Chicago's Effort for a First-Class Jury.

"May it please the court, I have a prayer meeting to attend, and if I sit on this jury the prayer-meeting can't go on," said the Rev. R. A. Haddock to Justice Hall. The justice paused in the act of taking his fee for a bond. Such a novel excuse had never come to his knowledge, and it required consideration.

"This court has a proper respect for prayer meetings," he finally said, "and it shall never be said the blind goddess who watches over this court was so unsympathetic and heartless as to deprive a flock of its spiritual guide, at least not while I am on the bench. You may go to the meeting."

The reverend gentleman lost no time in departing, and Constable McDonough went out to seek another juror. The justice explained that he had been bothered lately with professional jurors and carstone loafers, who were always within easy reach when a jury trial was demanded. In a case that came up recently he ordered the constable to bring in "a first-class jury," and that functionary raided the reading room of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Rev. Mr. Haddock being among the number pressed into service.—Chicago Chronicle.

An Important Part Left Out.

Hazel—Oh, bother! I've used up all my note paper and my letter isn't half finished.

Grace—Why, you've written eight pages, haven't you? Isn't that enough?

Hazel—Yes, but I haven't begun on the postscript yet.—Somerville Journal.

Spared for Further Mischief.

"Madame," said the new boarder, "one of your family came very near dying last night."

"Indeed, I was not aware that any one was ill. Who was it?"

"The man in the room next to mine who played the cornet till 3 a. m. He stopped just in time to save his life."—Detroit Free Press.

Agreed to Differ.

Old Greybeard—It's a pity to keep such a pretty bird in a cage.

Mrs. de Style—Isn't it a shame! How perfectly exquisitely lovely it would look on a hat!—Erie Messenger.

If you read for the pleasure of possession, of sharing with the world's great men the world's great truths, then pray for courage to resolutely turn your back upon the flood of new volumes which sweep ceaselessly past your door. Go back then reverentially to seek admission into the companionship of the immortals.

a runaway train

Sometimes, through accident or neglect, control of a train is lost and it speeds down the grade. It is so easy to go down hill; but the journey back is slow and hard. Have you been climbing up in strength, accumulating force? Or have you been going the other way, losing ground?

Scott's Emulsion

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Rye " "	50
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Hay per ton	12 to 14
Potatoes per bushel	30
Turnips " "	25
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Tallow per lb.	42
Shoulder " "	11
Side meat " "	67
Vinegar, per qt.	67
Dried apples per lb.	65
Dried cherries, pitted	10
Raspberries	12
Cow Hides per lb.	3½
Steer " "	65
Calf Skin	80
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WASHINGTON, March 9th, 1896.

President Cleveland is once more showing the country that when he believes he is right he will not be swayed by either Congressional majorities or adverse public opinion. This time it is the Cuban question upon which his opinion is directly contrary to that of a majority in Congress, which has declared by the adoption of a concurrent resolution, in favor of recognition of the Cubans as belligerents and of taking steps toward the independence of Cuba. Before the House and Senate had decided upon the wording of that resolution a statement was given out by Secretary Olney showing that, in the opinion of the President and his Cabinet, the Cubans were not entitled to recognition as belligerents, and making it plain that the President would not willingly accord them that recognition until he thought them entitled to it.

Mistakes have been made before by President Cleveland, and some of his most ardent admirers think that he is making a mistake in not acting in accordance with the concurrent resolution against which a total of only 23 votes were cast in both branches of Congress, and which they believe to represent the sentiments of a large majority of the citizens of the United States. But whether one thinks the President right or wrong in this matter, it is impossible not to admire the moral courage of the man who can stand up in the face of public opinion and Congress and say "I will not do this thing because I do not believe it is the right thing to do."

While the President can ignore the concurrent resolution, Congress can compel him to carry out its wishes if it can get two-thirds of both the House and the Senate to vote for a joint resolution expressing those wishes, because that number of votes will be sufficient to pass the same over the President's veto, which would make it a law. Some think that this will be the final outcome of the matter, but they are merely guessing; there is nothing in sight to indicate it.

According to those who know all the circumstances, the sending of the Father Marquette statue to the Statuary Hall of the Capitol building by the State of Wisconsin was the result of a political play made by a republican candidate for his party's nomination for governor of Wisconsin, away back when the late "Jerry" Rusk was governor of that state. This would-be candidate introduced a bill in the State Legislature, providing for the sending of the statue of Father Marquette to Washington by the State, and succeeded in having it passed, arguing with the republican members that it would catch Catholic votes for that party. When the bill reached Gov. Rusk he declined to sign it, and would have vetoed it had not this would-be candidate persuaded him that it was good politics to sign the bill, and then assured him that he would see that the statue was never made. But this would-be candidate not only failed to get the coveted nomination but he lacked the power to prevent the statue being made, and to-day it stands in Statuary Hall, one of the most artistic statues there.

The A. P. A. has demonstrated its ability to control the present republican House, and its original program was to have that body adopt Representative Linton's resolution against allowing the statue to remain in the Capitol, but so many republicans who live in districts where Catholic voters are numerous, have shown that their defeat would be certain if that program was carried out, that party pressure has been brought to bear upon the leading A. P. A. men in the House, and the program is held up, for a time, if not for good. All of the lessons of European history are forgotten by those men who are trying to use religious prejudice for partisan political purposes, and even the more recent lesson that broke the heart of James G. Blaine. When religious denominational lines shall be drawn in political parties, if such a calamity shall ever befall this country, the death of the republic will be near at hand.

The debate on the resolution to seat Col. Dupont as Senator from Delaware is on, and may last ten days or longer. The republicans are much disturbed over a rumor that the populists will join the democrats in voting down the resolution. Senator Jones, of Ark., who has

just returned from a visit home, says the reports that the silver sentiment was dying out in that section are entirely without foundation. On the contrary, he says, it is getting stronger all the time.

Senator Allen, of Neb., expects to be chairman of the Senate Committee that will investigate the last Alabama Senatorial election, if his resolution, which has by a partisan vote been reported from the committee on elections, be adopted. But that "if" is a formidable one, in view of the attitude of the democratic Senators towards this unconstitutional resolution.

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YEAR'S RECORD OF HANGINGS.

Six Executions in This State During the Past Fourteen Months.

H. H. Holmes, the murderer of Benjamin F. Pitzel and the alleged assassin of twenty-one others, is the only murderer in this state now under sentence of death. A number of others have recently been convicted of murder and may be hanged. The papers in their cases have not yet reached Governor Hastings, who fixes the time of the execution and issues the death warrant.

Holmes is the eleventh murderer for whom a death warrant has been issued by Governor Hastings during his term of office. Six of these were hanged. The others were granted a commutation of sentence to life imprisonment. The death sentences of William Webber of Reading, William Penn Bowman, Wilkes-Barre, and Lee Gum You, Philadelphia, were commuted by the Governor before the time of their execution was fixed.

Five murderers were hanged in this state in 1895. They were Charles Garrett, Lebanon, and Daniel Werling, Pittsburg, whose execution occurred May 7; John Good and William Freeman, Greensburg, who were hanged June 5; and John Elmsinger, Waynesboro, executed June 6. But one execution has occurred thus far in 1896. It was that of Albert Woodley, who was hanged at Pittsburg, January 2, after having been granted four respites.

Other murderers whom Governor Hastings has saved from death on the gallows by commuting their sentence to life imprisonment are Antonio Rizzuto, Pottsville; Frank Bezek, Scranton; James McMillan, Pittsburg, and Fred McDonald, Meadville. The records of the executive department show that hanging is gradually dying out in this state.

Hunting That Pays.

The Huntingdon News recently published the appended article which shows that hunting in that county can be made to pay when the right man follows it.

John P. Swoope, the noted trapper of Alexandria, takes the premium for scalps during the year 1895. Following is the record of payments to him each month by county treasurer. February \$8, March \$25.50, April \$27.25, May \$14.50, June \$38.50, July \$85, August \$49, September \$49.25, October \$101.50, November \$81, December \$100.75—total for eleven months \$590.25. The whole amount paid to all persons for scalps during the year was \$1127, of which Mr. Swoope received more than one-half. He was in town on Thursday last and received money on the following: 12 foxes, 13 minks and 1 wild cat, \$17.25, for January 1896.

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PROF. COLES FOR MARCH.

The gaseous matter that had been passing over the sun for the past four months cutting off our regular supply of sunshine passed away from the sun last month upon the very day that we had predicted it would and caused tornadoes and storms unprecedented. In our Storm and Sign Calendar in "Storms and Signs" we had a "Tornado Signal" displayed just twenty days in advance of the New York and Washington Weather Bureau's forecasting. The diameter of the storm area was at least 3,000 miles. And the centre had so arranged itself that New York City and vicinity felt the worst of it, as we predicted it would, in last month's Forecast. The reactionary waves of that storm will be felt along the seacoast sometime between the 1st and 15th of this month and will do great damage in many sections. Strange weather will predominate during the whole month: While it may be snowing in one section of the country, thunder showers will appear in another not far distant and while the sunshine is making summer-like days in one state, as it were, blizzards will be howling in the next strange phenomena and explosions will occur in the heavens again this month. A strange electrical phenomenon will occur somewhere in the northern part of New Jersey, southern part of New York or on the Pacific Coast as a strong electric current has been running from the Northeast to the Southwest for 23 consecutive days, and when the reaction sets in the elements will war, and the great iron magnets of New Jersey or the big valleys toward the Pacific slope will be where the electrical currents will ground, if grounded on land. If they plunge into some river or lake that lies along their route across the Continent, then an earthquake will be the result. The strange weather this month will be caused by the elements in their mad rush to seek their equilibrium, for, with the exception of earth, moon and the Vulcan periods, March is free from all the regular causes of disturbances. The regular Vernal equinox storm period is due on the 21st, but it looks now as though March was trying to trade places with April. This month will prove whether the "Signs" rule the "vital forces" or whether the "vital forces" rule the signs. For Earth is in sign Virgo (the virgin) opposed by sign Pisces (the fishes), and the two combined is symbolic of a mermaid loves water, hence great floods, storms, tornadoes, etc., should make March memorable; but the vital forces of all human and vegetable life are at "low ebb" this month and two-thirds of the whole month, and they declare a phenomenal month—cold, clear, and dry beautiful sunlit days will seem to rejoice at the freedom of the sun, strong gales will sweep over the country like mad. The moon's eclipse shadow on the 28th of last month passed over England's Dominion in such a manner as will cause her to put on deep mourning in less than a year.

Prof. C. COLES, Editor "Storms and Signs," Kingston, Pa., U. S. A., Feb. 21, '96.

And Do They Gossip Too?

In a Town Where Every Public Position is Filled by the Gentle Sex.

In Decatur, Mich., the population of which is 1500, the president of the village council is Mrs. Alma Sage, and all of the town officers, except that of official dog-catcher, are filled by women. Mrs. Dr. Kinney is one of the leading physicians. Mrs. Ada Gregg is a preacher, and her church—the Advent—is taken care of by a janitress, Mrs. Barnett. The restaurant of the town is conducted by Mrs. Crane and Miss Haines. The biggest store in the place is owned and kept by Mrs. Mary School. Mrs. Nicholson is the postmistress. Miss Clara Hotelling is a shoemaker, and a good one. May Percival is a furniture maker. Miss Anna Parnett makes harness. Mrs. Carpenter is a florist. Mrs. Child is a carriage painter.

There are several women painters, weavers and brokers. The women have a secret society run on the down-town plan. There is also a woman literary club. The women control the saloons, and the only things to drink are soda and pop. In a village nearby there is a woman undertaker, who can attend to all of the details of a funeral, even to driving the hearse.

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When to Prune.

Summer pruning is advocated by many. Various, however, we cannot cut away the foliage of any plant without to some extent, impairing its vitality. It would appear then that the next best season is during the dormant period. *Rural New Yorker* has long been of the opinion that the best time to prune is not to prune at all, except it may be in the case of grapevines and other plants that must be restrained. For example is taken a young pear or apple tree. Just as soon as a bud appears which is in the wrong place rub it off. The tree receives no check, and symmetry and any desired size may be thoroughly controlled. This method of restraint may be applied even to peach trees, which bear their fruit upon the food of the preceding year.

The authority quoted says that there need be little doubt that the longevity of fruit trees is lessened by cutting off branches. Even though the bark ultimately grows over the wound, the wood will have been exposed to the air long enough to have begun the process of decay which will in time affect the younger outer portions of the live wood. And these parts will be the first to succumb to high winds.

A Fertile Valley Ruined.

The opening of the Jeddo Tunnel, by which the mines on the north side of Hazelton are drained and a large body of valuable coal is made accessible, has destroyed the farm land of the Conyngham Valley, one of the most fertile and picturesque valleys in the State. Some of the farmers have lost heavily by the deposits of culm filled with mine water, among them being a man named Roth, who has brought an action for damages in the Luzerne county courts. A board of arbitration has been at work on the case last week.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 1896.

Why Not a Representative Government?

In another column, Katherine J. Musson has given a bold array of facts, proving that the United States is not a representative government. Proportional representation, or effective voting, is her remedy, which strongly appeals to our sense of justice and fair play. There is no doubt that this system would promptly improve our legislature, which is the weak point in our municipal, state and national governments. The people look on our lawmaking bodies with distrust and disgust. Majorities will continue to be tyrannous and reckless of their trusts so long as minorities are practically disfranchised. There is no more effective way to eradicate boodling and corruption than to permit the representation of minorities in all legislative bodies. Reforms are always introduced by minorities, yet our constitutions contain prohibitions against the sources of social and economic betterment by proclaiming a government of majorities instead of a government of all. Were it not for the tyranny of majorities the business interests of the country would not be in agony while congress is in session. If the district system were abandoned and legislators elected at large under a system of equitable representation, men of higher attainments would write our laws. The power of the machine, the lobby, the boss and the spoilsman would be shattered.

Professor De Lavelle of Belgium names as the three remedies for partisan abuses—proportional representation, secret ballot and civil service reform. These are complementary and co-operative, but the first is most fundamental and its adoption will guarantee a pure ballot and a civil service entirely free from the spoils system.

Election of Senators by Direct Vote.

The election of United States Senators by direct vote has again been revived by Senator Turpie's proposed amendment to the constitution. The measure is a popular one, and if Congress should give the states an opportunity to pass on the question, no doubt would exist as to the verdict. It is, however, unfortunate that this much needed reform should be expected from the Senate. It is like asking a judge to occupy the bench while trying his own case. Senators are well aware that all arguments against their election by direct vote of the people have been fully answered. Inaction on their part must be attributed to a desire to benefit those who govern rather than to promote the welfare of their principals, the voters. Strong self interest will probably prevent senators from submitting this amendment for the action of the states. The readers of this paper should write letters to the senators of this state, and to congressmen of this district, requesting the early submission of this amendment. If 100,000 letters should be forwarded within the next ten days, our servants would obey the behests of their masters. Should this amendment be pigeonholed, all fair minded persons should strive to raise the issue by securing its recognition in the national, state and county party platforms.

Striking Where Spain is Weakest.

Nothing so completely tells the story of the work of the Cubans to gain independence than the statement that only thirty-two of the 361 important sugar factories of the island of Cuba are running. Their declaration to cut off the government revenues and so strike a vital spot in the contest is very near true. The normal output of Cuba, in the sugar product, is 1,500,000 tons and this has been reduced to 100,000 tons. The insurrection in this phase alone has acquired a magnitude that costs Spain this year at least \$30,000,000 in the tax income that has been such a necessary feature in past government revenues.—Philadelphia Times.

The American Consulates at Barcelona and Valencia, Spain, were stoned by mobs when the action of Congress on the Cuban question was learned. The Spanish authorities suppressed the rioters, and disclaimed all responsibility for the riots.

It is a Horse of a Different Color Now.

The Republicans seem to be greatly astonished to learn that President Cleveland may call an extra session of Congress if the present session ignores financial legislation. The President should do that very thing. The Republicans knew exactly what was wanted when they were out of power, and now that they control Congress they wish to sneak out of the responsibility by doing nothing.—Lebanon Star.

A Good Selection.

A few days ago we received a copy of the *Union and Advertiser* of Rochester, N. Y., containing an excellent half tone cut of Wm. L. Manning, formerly of Jackson township, this county. It contained the announcement that he was the Democratic nominee for Supervisor of the town of Brighton, and quite sure of election, notwithstanding the fact that the town is Republican. Since then we have received information which says that: "One of the surprises of the town election yesterday in the Republican camp was the choice of William L. Manning, Democrat, of Brighton. There was a very spirited contest in the town over the Supervisorship, with the result that the Democrats have elected their first Supervisor for fifteen years." Supervisor in York State is a different office than in this State.

GENERAL NEWS.

Charles B. McMichael of Philadelphia has been appointed Judge in that city to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Reed.

May 7th has been fixed by the Governor for the execution of Holmes, the Philadelphia murderer.

Crispi, Premier of Italy, has resigned, and with him his cabinet. They were forced to yield to public clamor, and the resignations have been accepted by King Humbert.

Henri Rochefort, the well known French writer, predicts the success of the Cuban insurgents and the fall of the Spanish monarchy.

The death warrant for the execution of H. H. Holmes, on May 7th, was received by the sheriff of Philadelphia county last Monday, and read to the condemned man. Throughout the reading he maintained an affable manner, and even suggested to the sheriff that he step to another part of the cell so as to have a better light. He expressed himself as being ready to die.

New Appointments.

The Hon. James B. Reilly, of Pottsville, was appointed United States Marshal, of the Eastern District, of Penna.

James N. Beck, of Phila., was appointed U. S. District Attorney for Eastern Penna.

Misery

To all who are in depths of despair the following letter may come as a beacon light, pointing the way to health and safety. Truly, it is not what we say, but what Hood's Sarsaparilla does, that tells the story. Just read the voluntary statement of Mr. Owen:

"For six or seven years of my life I did not live, I merely existed. I was in a deplorable condition, suffering from a complication of evils. I was so constipated that a week, or sometimes two weeks, would pass without a movement of the bowels. I had no appetite. Had become so

Melancholy

that I was scarcely off the farm in six years. I even contemplated making an end to my miserable existence.

"This is the stage where a man becomes disgusted with doctors and medicines of all kinds. If this should reach the eye of any such, it is written in the hope that just such persons will read it, believe it and be benefited by it. A friend had half a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla, and persuaded me to take it, with some of Hood's Pills. I experienced so much benefit I took two bottles more, and, thank God, I am

Cured

sound and well. I am 61 years of age, but feel thirty years younger. I truly believe Hood's Sarsaparilla was sent as a means to heal my body. I cannot say too much for Hood's Sarsaparilla and Hood's Pills." J. W. OWEN, Henderson, Mercer Co., Pa. N. B. If you decide to take Hood's Sarsaparilla do not buy any other. Get only

Hood's Sarsaparilla

The One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. \$1. Prepared only by C. L. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills are the only pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

JONAS LONG'S SONS' WEEKLY CHATS.

WILKES-BARRE, PA.

March 12, 1896.



"Be it ever so humble there's no place like Home." Home as we understand it today doesn't simply mean a place of abode, it means a place for restful enjoyment, a

place where the tired man or woman worn by the fatigues of the day may find recreation and comfort. The home should be made bright and cheerful, it requires no extravagant outlay to beautify it. Home decorations are now within the reach of everyone. Make it a point to add from time to time to your household treasures, the habit will grow upon you and you will soon learn to look upon your labors with pride; there is a wonderful satisfaction in having a cozy little home well filled with pleasing ornamentalities to relieve the monotony of the stiff walls and furniture.

As a decoration there is nothing more graceful or pleasing to the eye than Lace Curtains, we have them 2 1/2 yards long, in pretty designs as low as 49c the pair.

A good Nottingham Lace Curtain 3 yards long, in point D'Esprit effect may be had for 98c the pair.

Chenille Curtains in good warm colors with double Dado and heavy fringe at \$2.25, \$2.98 and \$3.98 the pair.

Large size Chenille Curtains in desirable colors and Persian effects are sold at \$4.98 the pair.

Curtain Swiss Coin spot and figured dainty and neat as full curtain or sash curtain at 16c, 20c and 25c the yard.

Tamboured Muslin 16c, 19c, 25c and 30c the yard.

Curtain Poles with Brass Trimmings, complete in Cherry, Walnut or Ash at 19c the set.

Curtain Scrim 38 inches wide at 5c, 6 1/2c 8c, 10c and 12 1/2c the yard.

Figured Denim 30 inches wide the newest drapery at 20c the yard.

Heavy Figured Denim rich color and designs at 40c the yard.



BOYS' CLOTHING. Our Boys' Clothing Department will have its formal Spring Opening on the 18th instant, when every suit shown will be of extraordinary value. We have the grandest and ever brought to this city and

our price will soon make it the talk of the day, they will be in colors tan, grey and handsome dark mixtures, those with large Recker Collars run in size from 4 to 8; and small collars from 8 to 15, our price for this suit will be only \$1.98.

Our next is a beautiful dark grey suit in all wool Cassimere elegant made sizes 8 to 15 years at \$2.75.

Lovely all wool blue cheviot suits (color guaranteed) handsomely trimmed with extra large Recker Collar, broad silk braid, a suit with a style that will speak for itself. \$3.48.

Boys' regular square all wool Worsted Cheviot suits in blue, all sizes from 3 to 15 at \$3.48.

Boys' light Scotch plaid suits with two pairs of pants extra value at \$2.65.

Handsome line of boys' Golf Caps at 25c, 35c, 39c and 49c.

Boys' Blue "Tams" all styles of trimmings 39c, 49c, 59c and 75c. Popular and standard magazines for March now ready: McGraw's, Munsey, Century, Godey, Forum, Scribner, St. Nicholas, Ladies' Home Journal, Rains Horn & Co., etc.

All mail orders and letters of inquiry relating to our various department lines will receive prompt and careful attention.

Respectfully,

Jonas Long's Sons

Cor. W. Market and Public Square,

JOHN R. TOWNSEND, AND Hatter.

Merchant TAILOR,



AND

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SUITS FROM \$18.00.

CORNER MAIN & MARKET STS. BLOOMSBURG PA.

TROUSERS FROM \$5.00.

When She Hides the Key.

It is a singular instance of the simplicity of the average mind to watch the entire good faith in which the country housekeeper, when she takes her walks abroad and locks up her house, hides the key for its discovery by any other member of the family. As a matter of course, she tucks it away under the door mat. It never seems to enter her dear, unworried head that every other woman in the place does precisely the same thing, and perhaps every other woman in every other suburban town. She never seems to think that that is one place that any student of her human nature who had burglarious intentions would seek entrance to the house by simply lifting the door mat.

He would be sure to find the key ready for him there.

CANDIDATES' CARDS.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
JOHN G. HARMAN,
of Bloomsburg.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
W. A. EVERT,
of Bloomsburg.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER,
J. G. SWANK,
South Side.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER,
JOHN N. GORDON,
of Montour township.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER,
WILLIAM H. FISHER,
of Main Township.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Jacob Andes, late of Henlock township deceased.
The undersigned, an auditor appointed by the Orphan's Court of Columbia County, to distribute the funds in the hands of the accountant to and among the parties entitled thereto, will sit at his office in Bloomsburg, Pa., on Tuesday, April 7th, 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where all persons having claims against said estate must appear and prove the same or be debarred from coming in on said fund.
W. H. SNYDER,
Auditor.

3-11-96.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of F. F. A., issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Penna., and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, Pa., on

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 1896,
at 2 o'clock p. m., all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Fishingcreek township, Columbia county and state of Penna., bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Bounded on the north by Huntington creek, on the east and south by public road, and on the west by Abraham Eveland, containing ONE ACRE of land more or less, whereon are erected a

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE, and outbuildings.

Said land taken into execution at the suit of Carey & Pealer vs. Elsie K. Robbins, and to be sold as the property of Elsie K. Robbins.

J. B. MCHEENY,
Sheriff.

BRITAIN, Attorney in fact.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.
Estate of Fred Schein, late of the Town of Bloomsburg, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Fred Schein, late of the Town of Bloomsburg, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrator, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to
CATHARINE SCHWENK,
Administrator.
Herrington, Atty.
3-5-96.

CHARTER NOTICE.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pennsylvania.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the said court on the 30th day of March, 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m., under the Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations, approved April 29, 1874, and its amendments, by L. D. White, J. K. Lockard, H. G. Sherrill, R. G. Holmes and W. F. Jurg for the charter of an intended corporation to be called The Industrial Club, the character and object of which is the maintenance of a club for social enjoyment, and for this purpose to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges conferred by the said Act and its amendments.

O. F. Williams, President.
3-13-96.

The Leading Conservatory of America
CARL FAUST, Director.
Founded in 1880 by
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NEW ENGLAND CONSERVATORY
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FRANK W. HALE, General Manager.

DON'T WAIT TOO LONG

and then be disappointed in not having "that new dress" when Easter comes. Remember Easter is early this year, and dress makers will be rushed to death the nearer it comes. You also have another advantage in selecting your dresses now; more of a variety to choose from, and lots of single dress patterns. All of our new spring dress goods are now in and open for your inspection.

See Them Now.

THE NEWEST OF SPRING DRESS GOODS

are now being shown here in the largest variety known. All of them are the latest productions known to the trade, and are the prettiest we have yet shown. If we were to try and tell you all of them you would tire out before you were half through, so we name only one rare bargain which you can't help appreciating. A whole case of them. All wool Henrietta, 38 in. wide, all shades, 25c. the yard.

TAILOR MADE SUITS.

We called your attention to our tailor made suits last week and wish to do so again. They are made by the best of makers in New York, in the latest style and of the best material. We are confident if you will only inspect them you will buy. Ask to see them when here.

OUR NEW LACE CURTAINS

have arrived and shopping experts who have seen them pronounce them the neatest and best designs they have seen. We want every prospective curtain buyer to see them before they purchase. We are justly proud of them.

CURTAIN STRETCHERS.

If you do not want new lace curtains you will surely want to do over the old ones; wash them, and then you will want a stretcher. The "Star" is the best on the market and has never been offered you at such a price, \$1.50.

BABY CLOAKS.

It will be a short time now when

baby will want a new spring cloak, as the winter one will be warm. When you find this the case just look here before you buy, as our line is entirely new, not one old one to be found in it, and the variety almost endless. \$1.00 to \$7.00 each.

TRIMMINGS.

Every woman is naturally interested in the trimmings for her new dress. Velvets, silks and buttons are all in vogue now, and we can say in good faith, that our stock is larger and better than ever. All the newest effects in silks, newest approved shades in velvets, and all the latest productions in buttons.

DISHES.

Spring always reminds one of the new stock of dishes you want. Maybe only patching up, maybe you want a new set. If either is what you are in need of, come here and see what rare bargains we offer you. In all, eight distinct decorations to pick from. In glassware, we have it cheaper than dirt. See our 5, 10 and 15c lots.

GROCERIES.

For this week only we offer you these rare bargains:
Royal Exchange corn, 5c. can. Regular 10c. quality.
Finest California prunes, 40-50 10c. lb. Sell regularly at 12c.
Finest California peaches and white cherries, "Sunbeam brand," 30c. can. Sell always at 40c.
Finest home-made mince meat in 5 lb. glass jars, 70c. Usually 80c.

Pursel & Harman, BLOOMSBURG, PA.

IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF
CARPET, MATTING,
or OIL CLOTH,

YOU WILL FIND A NICE LINE AT

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2nd Door above Court House.

A large lot of Window Curtains in stock.

Remember This!

That when you are looking for a place to purchase meats, that we have recently opened a new meat market in the Evans Building, corner of Main and Jefferson streets, where you will receive polite and prompt attention, and get the best quality of meats.

John H. Kleckner.



It may be a little early to do your spring papering, but not too early to look over our large stock now ready for your inspection. In spite of the fact that the manufacturers charge us from 10 to 20 per cent. more than last year, we will sell at last year's low prices, and in some cases even lower.

Windowcurtains of all kinds. Room and picture moulding always in stock.

WILLIAM H. SLATE,

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WE ARE NOT CRYING

because there are so many bakers and confectioners in Bloomsburg.

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YEAR IN AND YEAR OUT

have long since learned that they are the best. Our stock of Christmas candy is large and open for inspection. It is pure, and the price is right.

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BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 1896.

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BRIEF MENTION.

About People You Know.

R. Rush Zarr Esq., has moved into the Corner property on East Street.

Harry D. Laycock, of the Berwick "Advertiser" spent Sunday in this place.

Mrs. Frank Parks, who has been visiting friends at Wilkes-Barre, has returned home.

Sheriff McHenry transacted business at Centuria last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jones and child have returned from Beach Haven.

Charles P. Elwell was confined to the house several days during the past week, by a heavy cold.

Marvin McHenry of Benton, was in town on Monday visiting his uncle, sheriff McHenry.

C. O. Brown, of the Catawissa Shoe Factory transacted business at the County Seat on Tuesday.

Rev. C. H. Brandt addressed the Missionary Society of the Reformed church at Orangeville last Wednesday evening.

Daniel McAuliffe, who formerly was a member of the base ball team of this place, is visiting friends in town.

W. B. Snyder Esq., of Roaringcreek, transacted business at this office last Tuesday.

Miss Bertha Frick, of Shickshinny, was the guest of Miss Laura Creveling over Sunday.

Daniel Butler, who has been attending the New York trade school, has secured a position with Eschelman and Wolf.

John Shellenberger of Lime Ridge fell last week, bruising his hand to such an extent as to prevent him from working.

S. A. Goodhue spent Tuesday in town. He reports that his twin boys are progressing nicely.

James Scarlet Esq., of Danville, and C. E. Geyer Esq., of Catawissa transacted business at the County Seat last Saturday.

J. S. Williams sold the J. C. Mensinger farm in Main township last Friday, to F. P. Gruver. Consideration \$2800.

Miss Pullman gets a \$10,000 yearly salary for naming the cars for the Pullman company.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Clem Butler, of Mauch Chunk, spent Sunday with Mrs. Butler's mother, Mrs. I. S. Kuhn.

John Tittle, said to be the oldest man in the place is sick at the residence of his son-in-law Hiram Palmer on West Third Street.

Mr. J. J. Lawall carried \$3000 life insurance in the Royal Arcanum. It was paid to his widow last week by C. S. Furman, Treasurer of the Bloomsburg Council.

John Goldsworthy, one of the Directors of the Poor of Conyngham and Centuria Poor District transacted business at the County Seat last Saturday.

Miss May, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jones, of Fifth Street ran a splinter into her foot a few days since, and as a consequence has been confined to the house ever since.

Information received from Lloyd Paxton, of Rupert, who is a patient at the Clifton Springs Sanitarium, states that he is rapidly gaining strength and health.

John Q. Barkley, of this place has accepted a position with McHenry Brothers, at Shamokin. At present he is engaged here completing arrangements for removal to that place.

District Attorney Hanley, of Bloomsburg, was in Centuria last week, taking testimony in the Fallon-Wilson estate affair which ended fatally about a week ago. Attorney Hanley is preparing for a Habeas Corpus hearing that will take place some time this month.

John Sterling, of Jeansville, Luzerne County, was a member of the choir which furnished the music for the Mass meeting at the Court House last Sunday. His many friends were glad to see him, and judging from his appearance life in Luzerne county agrees with him. He looked unusually happy, but this was accounted for by the fact that he was on his way to Alliance, Ohio, where he was married last Wednesday, to Miss Earnest.

H. E. Barrett, of Syracuse, was registered at the Exchange hotel yesterday. He was formerly one of the teachers at the Normal School, but is now associated with the Cosmopolitan Building and Loan Association.

Pneumonia weather.

Easter comes on April 5th.

The spring poet is tuning his lyre.

Farm leases for sale at this office.

March did get in like a lion. Will it go out like a lamb?

The addition to the residence of Mrs. M. E. Creasy is rapidly nearing completion.

Candidates can secure their cards at this office on short notice and at reasonable rates.

The near approach of the first of April is evidenced by the many movings which are seen daily on our streets.

The Columbia County Creamery has secured the services of Bruce Griffiths of Montrose, Pa. He is an expert butter maker.

The School board held its regular monthly meeting last Friday evening at the High School building. No business of general interest was transacted.

Justices of the Peace elected at the February election must file acceptance within 30 days in order that they may have their commissions issued.

William, son of D. R. Coffman, held the ticket which drew the diamond ring at Louis Bernhard's jewelry store last Monday evening. Of course he is happy.

The School Furnishing Company are now lighting their works by their electric light plant. It was placed by a party from Lewisburg, and was put into operation last Saturday.

Bradford county republicans have instructed for Hon. James H. Coddling for congress. He is their present representative, and is a brother-in-law of E. C. Wells of this town.

The first regular meeting of the new Council will be held Thursday evening, April 9th. The oath of office will be administered on the Monday previous to that time.

The Hulme mill below Benton was purchased last week at a public sale by Augustus Wolf, of Chambersburg, Pa. Dr. Edwards of Benton has received the contract to repair the same.

The old building, which for years has stood near the corner of Fifth and Railroad Streets, and has been used by Samuel Trump as a store room, has been torn down, and a new building will be erected.

Quite an excitement was caused on the streets Saturday night by a report being circulated that a "poker room" had been raided, and several arrests made. We are informed that it was a "water haul" as an examination of the room failed to produce any of the paraphernalia used in playing this seductive game.

Arrangements have been made by President of the Town Council Creasy, to hold a public meeting in the Opera House on Thursday evening March 26, which will be addressed by Hon. T. V. Powderly of Scranton, on Municipal Affairs. At the same time the various committees will make a complete report of their work during the past year.

Gidding & Co., the Clothiers, of Bloomsburg, give a pony outfit away free. With every dollar purchase they give a coupon, the duplicate of which is deposited in a tightly sealed box, which will be opened at 7:30 P. M. July 30th in the presence of judges, who have kindly consented to act. The outfit consists of pony carriage, harness, robes, &c. Full particulars with picture of entire outfit will appear in next week's issue.

The candy manufactory of John Bush on Centre street was moved to Lock Haven last Monday. We are informed that Mr. Malfiera will still continue his business on Main street.

Impoverished blood causes that tired feeling. Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies, enriches and vitalizes the blood and gives vigor and vitality.

An addition is being built to the office of Dr. J. J. Brown on Market Street. When completed he will have three rooms in which to transact his business. The work is being done by B. W. Jury.

Theodore Lewis died at his home near Benton Wednesday morning after an illness of only four days. He was about forty-five years of age, and leaves to survive him a wife and one child.

The following letters are advertised March 10, 1896:

George W. Ammerman, Miss P. B. Hendricks, E. A. Meyers, Jno J. Rosencrans, Miss Amanda Rhoads (2), Mr. William Wize, Mr. John Wilson. Will be sent to the dead letter office March 24th, 1896.

JAMES H. MERCER, P. M.

The Patriotic Order Sons of America, of Catawissa, are making arrangements for a celebration at that place on the 4th of July. All the secret organizations of the borough are expected to participate, and in addition to these all the camps of the county have been invited. Arrangements have been made for a regular old fashioned celebration.

A stroll through the School Furnishing Company's plant a few days since found them busily engaged on an order for 1,500 box desks for Brooklyn, N. Y. Inasmuch as they are manufactured from select lumber, and are to be furnished by the first of April, everyone is busy. Through the efficient management of H. D. Manning, they not only expect to finish them, but also a large order for quarter sawed oak teachers' desks, which are intended for Reading, Pa.

The Men's Meeting at the Reformed church last Sunday afternoon was largely attended. The address of Rev. Romberger was a logical, clean-cut exposition of the scripture, and he held the undivided attention of the audience from the beginning to the end. He chose as the basis of his remarks Luke, 7: 14. "Young man, I say unto thee, arise," and he presented the subject in such a manner that several men in the audience arose and signified their intention of leading a different life.

The services in the Presbyterian church are continued this week with increasing interest. The Rev. Wm. McNally preached on Monday and Tuesday evenings with great acceptance. Mr. Stephens of Berwick will preach this (Thursday) evening, and Rev. Dr. McAtee of Danville is expected on Friday evening. Whether these services will be continued another week will depend upon the interest manifested. The Christian Endeavor who have charge of the meetings are showing commendable zeal, in securing preachers from the neighboring towns.

Conference Appointments.

The Central Pennsylvania Conference of the United Evangelical Church, held at Williamsport, on Monday, made the following appointments for the Lewisburg district:

H. W. Buck, Presiding Elder. Lewisburg—C. W. Finkbinder. Milton—M. F. Fosselman. Milton Circuit—E. B. Dunn. Muncy Valley—W. J. Campbell. Dushore—D. L. Kepner. Bernice and Lopez—I. E. Spangler. Bloomsburg—G. W. Currin. Lightstreet—H. Minsker. Waller—G. E. Heiney. Columbia—C. D. Moore. Berwick—J. C. Reiser. Nescopeck—M. I. Jamison. Nanticoke—S. S. Mumey. Ransom—E. E. Shaffer. Tunkhannock Circuit—F. F. Mayer. Scranton—Zion, G. L. Maice; Trinity, J. G. Whitmire.

Zion's Grove—S. Aurand. Luzerne—J. O. Briggs. West Clifford—F. H. Foss. A. L. Reiser, G. Hunter and I. M. Pines, members of Lewisburg Quarterly Conference.

C. J. Dick, member of Berwick Quarterly Conference.

Col. A. H. Brown of Danville, died at his home on Tuesday last, being found dead in bed. His wife, who died some years ago, was Betsy Webb, sister of Miss A. D. Webb, formerly of this town. He entered the service in 1862 as 2nd Lieut. of Co. F. 178th Regt. and was mustered out in July 1863. The remains were brought to Bloomsburg to-day at 2.36 and were buried in Rosemont cemetery. The Masons attended the funeral in a body. Two daughters survive the deceased.

Leases, with judgment and ejectment clause, for sale at this office in small or large quantities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Which Should be Carefully Read by Every One.—Extraordinary inducements Offered.

Harry Wilson still continues to be head quarters for all kinds of smokers articles.

Fish! Fish! Halibut steak, black bass, ciscoes and all kinds of lake fish received every week by W. S. Fleckenstine.

Security is the name of an excellent wearing, man's shoe. You can get it either in pointed, globe or opera toe for \$1.50 at Max Gross.

Special sale on fruit tablets for 3 days at 14c lb. at Deitrick's.

All rubber and winter goods will be sold at cost by J. A. Hess.

Fresh shad received every week by W. S. Fleckenstine. Cleaned and delivered.

Women's genuine dongola shoe, solid all through. Either in pointed toe or common sense last, for \$1.25 at Max Gross.

All rubber and winter goods will be sold at cost by J. A. Hess.

Before purchasing your wall paper this season, it would be wise to consult W. H. Slate, as he has some special designs at special prices.

White sewing machines, king of all sewing machines at Saltzert's.

All kinds of fruits and vegetables at Deitrick's.

It is almost moving time, and with it comes papering. Of course you want the best, and at the lowest possible price, J. H. Mercer will sell you paper at five cents per roll, some remnants at four cents, perhaps there is enough in these to paper the rooms. Come and see it. If you want to pay more money for it, he can suit you, as he has it at all prices. Satisfaction is guaranteed, estimates given, and paper hung by first class mechanics.

All rubber and winter goods will be sold at cost by J. A. Hess.

Decorative Porcelains for wedding gifts. Selected specimens from the most famous potteries in England and the continent, at L. E. Whary's China Bazaar, Main Street, Bloomsburg, Pa.

Will you purchase a bicycle this season? If so, don't buy until you see the Remington at Mercer's.

Best sewing machines, needles and oil for all makes of sewing machines at Saltzert's.

W. H. Slate still continues to be headquarters for picture frames. Call and get prices.

All rubber and winter goods will be sold at cost by J. A. Hess.

Oysters by the dozen or hundred, quart or gallon at C. B. Chrisman's.

All rubber and winter goods will be sold at cost by J. A. Hess.

Big bargains in pianos and organs at Saltzert's this month.

Chrisman's select oysters at 40c a quart are the finest in the town. He makes a specialty of furnishing families.

Don't forget the special sale at Deitrick's on Friday, Saturday and Monday.

The window of the china bazar of L. E. Whary presents a fine appearance. It is filled with beautiful china and cut glass, which is but an intimation of the immense stock upon the inside, which is being sold at greatly reduced prices.

All rubber and winter goods will be sold at cost by J. A. Hess.

If you are a pipe smoker, you can find just what you are looking for at Harry Wilson's Market Square cigar store. The best brands of tobacco and the sweetest pipes.

New sheet music at Saltzert's.

Don't buy a bicycle until you see the Remington. For sale by J. H. Mercer.

A nice place to take your lady friend for oysters is C. B. Chrisman's on Main Street. They are quickly prepared, and served in a neat and attractive manner.

The highest price in cash paid for hides by P. Solleder & Co.

Try a can of Hopkins' Steamed Hominy (Hulled Corn.) It is delicious. Full qt., 10c. 3-5-4t.

For a nice lunch, neatly and promptly served, call at G. M. Currier's near the D. L. & W. R. R. station.

Special sale of pianos, organs, &c., till 1st of April to make room for new goods at J. Saltzert's.

The coming, and up to date wheel this season, is the Remington. For ladies, gents, and youths. Call and see them at Mercer's.

Don't forget to get a box of our 25c chocolates for Sunday. I. G. Deitrick's.

H. J. Clark & Son.

10c. Wash Goods 7c.

When crows begin to roost in the north end of the state, folks begin to buy spring fabrics. And heres a second paradoxical proposition, we will sell 10c. wash dress goods for 7c. yd. India twill cotton cloth 15c. yd—our price now 8c. yd. We want you not to lose sight of the fact our prices are lowest at all times.

FASHIONABLE TRIMMINGS.

Lots of different patterns in the bright Persian effects. New Batiste Galleons. These are the grandest of 1896 trimming novelties.

DRESS FABRICS.

All of the newest creations of the season. Nothing wanted. All styles. All qualities. Made of all kinds of yarns and silks. You will want a new gown for Easter wear. Don't you think you had better see our line now? Black goods will be very stylish the coming season. We have full lines. See the novelty dress materials. Mohairs, plain and figured.

DRESS MAKING THINGS.

Sewing silk, 4c. sp. Bone casings, 15c. piece. 36 in. whalebones, 15c. piece. Dress steels, 12c. doz. Fibre chamois, 15c. yd. Hair cloths, 7c. yd. Dress beltings, 5c. yd. Good Selicia, 10c. yd. Rustleline linings, black and colors.

TURKISH TOWELS.

An extra large and heavy bleached towel at 25c. piece, or \$1.35 half doz., extra values.

SEPARATE DRESS SKIRTS.

Full line of the newest shapes, made of choice materials, lined all through with rustleline. Velvet facings from \$1.89 upwards to the silk ones at \$10.

RECENTEST PLAIDS.

Not phenomenally low priced, but phenomenally good, beautiful, and expenseless considering their worth. Just left the cases Tuesday. Prices 50c., 65c., 75c. and 85c.

TABLE LINENS.

These goods you want in the spring season. We have the correct linens at the correct prices. Come and see the linens, napkins and towels.

HERE AND THERE AT THE STORE.

20 yds. good muslin for \$1.00. Children's corded waists, 25c. Yard wide Percales, 9c. yd. Good calico wrappers, 9c. 2 cakes medicated castile soap, 5c. Clark's glycerine soap, 5c. 3 cakes of almond soap for 13c. Bone hair pins, 10c. doz. Witch cloth, 10c. piece. Glovines, 22c. bottle. 7-8 Shaker flannel, 9c. 3 ruffle sateen skirts, \$1.00. Silk lamp shades, \$1.43.

H. J. CLARK & SON.

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

MARKET SQUARE DRY GOODS HOUSE.

Spring is Already Here and Our Sentiments are Expressed of it by the Opening of Goods Suitable for March and April.

We have an unusual display of the following named Dress Goods, &c.

Plaids, 12½, 19, 35, 45, 50, 62½, 85c.	75, \$1.00, \$1.25.
Half wool goods, 12½, 15 and 19c.	Silks for waists, 25, 35, 37½, 50, 62½, 75, 85, \$1.00, \$1.25
All woolserges, 25, 39, 50, 62½c	Broad cloth for capes, 50, 75, \$1.00, \$1.25.
Novelty weaves, 19, 25, 29, 39, 50, 62½, 75, \$1.00, \$1.25.	Diagonal cloth, \$1.25, \$1.50.
Black goods in figured mohair, 25, 39, 50, 75, \$1.00, \$1.25.	Fancy cloth for children's jackets, 75, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50.
Plain mohair, 50, 75, \$1.00.	Eiderdown in blue, pink, red, white, yellow and other colors, 35, 50, 60c.
Serges, 25, 39, 50, 62½, 85c.	Trimnings to suit and match many of the above goods.
Henriettes, 25, 39, 50, 62½, 75, 85, \$1.00.	
Novelty weaves, 25, 39, 50,	

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

Do You Want Fine Box Paper?

Go to Hess Bros., they have it in the following brands:

Hess Bros. Best, 80 lb. paper	25c. per box.
Hess Bros. Special,	20c. per box.
Hess Bros. Cream,	12c. per box.

We are also offering special bargains to close out our old line to make room for the new. Call and be convinced we are headquarters.

HESS BROS.

Jewelers, Opticians and Stationers,

Main St. Sign of the Big Watch. BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Stop that Tickling

in your throat. We have secured a lot of those elegant

FRUIT TABLETS.

in four flavors. They are the regular 25c. goods, but here they are at 14c. lb. for three days—Friday, Saturday and Monday.

I. G. DEITRICK,

Market Square

Some Of....

the best of us make mistakes, but you will make no mistake by buying, bread, cakes and confectionery at the

EXCHANGE BAKERY.

L. F. REISHLINE, Prop.,

Telephone Connection.

1100 N. 10th St., PA.

22 CLEVELAND, \$100.
Stearns, \$100
Envoy, \$75.
Stormer, \$50.



The above line of strictly high grade bicycles I have selected for my line for this year after visiting the New York Cycle Show and inspecting all the different makes. They are the cream of the lot. Space is too limited to describe them, but they can be seen at my store or I will cheerfully mail catalogues to any intending purchasers.

OPPOSITE POST-OFFICE.

W. S. Rishton.

HOME MADE DESOLATE.
Husband Ridicules His Faithful Wife's Longings for the Beautiful.
They sat side by side and neither had said anything for two stations. Finally the little man broke out:
"Beats all what blame crazy things a woman will do when she gets an idea into her head."
"Fact. What's she been at this time?" asked the other sympathetically.
"Why, when I got home last night she said:
"Oh, John, there was one of those old clothes men here to-day, and I sold him some of your cast off things."
"After dinner I went up and looked over my wardrobe. I had a winter suit that I bought late in the season last year, and that was good for another winter, sure. She'd said that. Then there was a light suit of homespun hardly worn at all—cost me \$40. The coat was in one closet and the waistcoat and trousers in another. The coat was gone. Two pairs of trousers, one only needed pressing and the other some little repairs at the bottom—they were both missing; and a dress waistcoat, white and soiled a bit—I suppose it never occurred to her that it could be cleaned—and two pairs of shoes; one needed resoling, the other didn't need anything but a shine."
"I asked her what she did with the money, and she said she had spent it. She had bought two red geranium plants and a great, homely yellow mastiff pup, with feet bigger than mine. When I came down stairs this morning she was crying. I asked her what the matter was. She said the pup had chewed the tops off both the geraniums during the night."

AN IMAGINARY ILLNESS.
The Needle Cure Proved the Physician's Diagnosis Correct.
Physicians often meet with people who are carrying around imaginary ailments and who really believe themselves as badly afflicted as they assert. Some curious cases have been noted.
A lady had been confined to her bed for many months with an illness which wholly deprived her of the use of her lower limbs. The doctor who attended her failed to discover the nature of the affection, which might ordinarily have been attributable to several causes. Examination, however, revealed nothing calculated to throw a light on the matter, and the medical practitioner, after patient and exhaustive analysis and attention, came to the conclusion that the illness was imaginary.
Although he discreetly kept this opinion to himself, proof was eventually forthcoming as to the accuracy of his view. Being lifted in the sheets out of her bed one day, while the mattress was rearranged, the lady surprised her attendants by suddenly jumping from the couch on which she had been temporarily placed, with a loud expression of alarm. It was discovered that she had been laid upon a needle cushion inadvertently left on the sofa, and that the sharp points of several needles had pressed violently into her back. The contretemps revealed the fact that she could stand easily.

Bird Preferences in Food.
Experiments have shown that birds avoid the bright colored caterpillars, as a rule. And this seems almost to have become a second nature, for a jackdaw which had been raised in captivity, and had had no experience in judging the edible qualities of caterpillars, was observed to regard the brilliant caterpillar of the figure-eight-moth with suspicion and aversion, although it eagerly devoured dull, plain caterpillars placed within its reach. When it was driven by hunger to attack the other it finally refused to eat it, giving plain evidences that there was something distasteful about the prey.—Philadelphia Press.

What Came of Her Charity.
My next door neighbor is as charitable a woman as ever lived, and among her pensioners is a colored family, beside whom Job's turkey is a bloated plutocrat. She gave the mother of the family a two dollar bill one day to pay the rent. Judge, then, of Lady Bountiful's surprise when that evening a little pickaninny presented itself at the kitchen door.
"Please, Miss Lucy," it said, "ma says can you loan her some bread and some celery you ain't usin'?" We're goin' to have a burford party, but we ain't got nothin' to go with the turkey."

Helpless.
In reply to the request for assistance, the professor said:
"If I could help you, I couldn't help helping you. It is because I cannot help you that I cannot help refusing to help you."
The mendicant darted around the corner, with terror in his eyes and cries of "Help!" in his mouth.—Boston Transcript.

Pleasant to the Visitor.
"Is Mrs. Harkins at home?" asked the caller.
"Physically, Madame," returned the educated butler, "she is. As an abstract question the fact cannot be denied; but in your relation to your desire to see her, I cannot say definitely until I have ascertained Mrs. Harkins's wishes in the matter. Pray be seated, until I have received advices from above."—Harper's Bazar.

Prevarication.
Mother—You've been into that jam again?
Truthful Son—No'm, I haven't. I'll declare I haven't!
And he chuckled at the thought that his mother had not accused him of putting the jam into him.
A Matter of Accent.
Sapsmith—The first thing the phenologist said when he began to examine my cunivium was: "What a head!"
Galsmahaw—Are you sure he did not say: "What a head?"—Truth.

NERVOUSNESS

Is the Wail of the Nerves for Food.

People with Weak, Flabby Nerves are the Ones who Suffer. They may be Relieved by Building up their Nerves with a Nourishing Nerve Food.

An Interesting Interview with a Prominent Physician and a Case in Point Cited.

From the Journal, Kirksville, Mo.
"What a weak-kneed individual." The person referred to did, indeed, look broken down, dispirited, and dejected.
"What is the matter with him?"
"I scarcely know. During the cool weather he seems to be all right and to have some life and a little ambition; but the moment the hot weather comes he simply wilts down and seems to have neither strength nor vitality."
That explained the case. The man was in a generally run-down condition with not enough reserve force to resist the enervating effects of the season. His nerves were weak, unstrung as we say. The food he ate only partially reinforced his strength. The result was, he had constantly drawn on his reserve force so long that his nerves finally rebelled and sounded the gong for him to stop. If the signal he heeded and he took steps to refresh and build up his nervous system, he will recover; if not and the strain goes on, nothing can save him.
"If such a case be taken in time will the use of good, wholesome food and plenty of rest restore the patient?"
"If the patient have a naturally strong constitution it possibly may, otherwise, no. What is needed is a food which is specially adapted for the nerves. Something which contains the elements that go to make nervous force. It must be a food, not a tonic; a strength-giver, not a stimulant."
"Is there anything specially adapted to this purpose?"
"There are a good many things recommended for this purpose. But the trouble with nearly all of them is, they are only tonics or stimulants. They apparently benefit, but it is only for a time; then the patient is worse than before. But there is one food for the nerves, I am happy to say, in which I have the greatest confidence, which is in reality a food. It contains just those vitalizing principles which impart new nerve force; it builds up the nerves, and by imparting to them new strength gradually coaxes them back to a normal, healthy condition. They are fortified against the hot weather, the man recovers his energy, his force, and he walks with an elastic step. He drives his work with a will, where before it drove him. His spirits rise, and everything looks bright to him. This food is Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, which are now known and used the world over—in North and South America, England and the English provinces, Canada, India, So. Africa, France. They are so widely known and their excellent effects in nerve building so much talked about both here and abroad, that it is not necessary for me to enlarge further on the subject. But I can assure you the medical profession everywhere are very glad indeed to avail themselves of this nerve food, so scientifically compounded, and that they use it very largely in their practice."
This was a conversation recently had between our reporter and a noted local physician, whose opinion is very highly regarded in medical circles, and it furnishes a clue for thousands who are suffering during these summer months from weakened nervous force.
To show the results of this nerve food on a special case, to prove the points above made, our reporter made the following interview:—
Henry Gehrke is a thrifty, prosperous German farmer living four miles south of Bullion, in this (Adair) county, Mo. Mr. Gehrke has a valuable farm and he has been a resident of the county for years. He is very well-known hereabouts and well respected wherever he is known. Last week a reporter of the Journal stopped at Mr. Gehrke's and while there became much interested in Mrs. Gehrke's account of the benefit she had not

PROTECTED THE TREES.
The Arbor Days Designated.
Governor Hastings Issues the Annual Proclamation.
Friday, April 10th, and Friday, 24th have been designated in a proclamation issued by Governor Hastings as Arbor Days. The selection of either of these days is left to the choice of the people in the various sections of the Commonwealth, to the end that that day may be selected which is deemed most favorable on account of climatic conditions.
The proclamation states that although Pennsylvania was once wholly covered with a dense growth of valuable timber, to-day scarcely one-fourth of the area remains; that the timber supply has fallen off to such an extent that the Commonwealth is unable to produce the timber required for its own inhabitants. Of the regions which, when timbered, were a source of wealth to their owners and to the State, not less than 2,500,000 acres are unfit for agricultural purposes.
Most of this vast area has little or no mineral wealth, and is now an unsightly and practically abandoned territory. Fires sweep over it year after year, destroying the younger growth and burning out the fertility of the soil, so that this area is passing in to the condition of a desert, becoming poorer each successive year.
Governor Hastings says it is not only possible, but also practicable, to restore the forests upon this desert waste, which would be producing a crop of great value to the State, and would restore the fertility of the soil, would save our rivers and streams to the beneficial influences of the forests, and aid in furnishing homes and support to the doubling population in the Commonwealth in the generations to come.
"As it was once a necessity to remove trees in order to obtain ground to plant grain," adds Governor Hastings, "and for other purposes of civil-

WEATHERLY EXCITED.
A Beautiful Buck Deer Chased Through The Streets By a pack of Dogs.

It is not often that the town of Weatherly furnishes a sensation or seen an event out of the ordinary. The good people of that well governed borough are content to plod along in an even tenor, and care naught for their wicked neighbors, their emotions and their sensations. Once in a while the lethargy is broken by a fire or a burglar but until yesterday mountain game never played any particular part in program, and it is now the talk of the town. A big buck deer and a pack of hounds are responsible for the commotion. As they went chasing through the streets many people rushed to their doors and get a glimpse of the flying remnant of the genus cervus. It was a beautiful sight to see the animal in his mad run, head erect, holding in graceful position the forked antlers and his beautiful carved body, while ten yelping hounds followed in futile endeavor to catch him.

It seems that a few stray dogs started the deer on Broad Mountain and the latter took a course toward the valley. On the way up the ravine, several mountain settlements were passed and the number of dogs multiplied as the chase progressed. Along the ridge he led the hounds, leaping leisurely over stream and ledge, disappearing for a moment, then into view, until the junction at Lizard creek was reached. Here the horned animal took the mountain again skirting the summit while the dogs gave tongue incessantly. As he approached Weatherly he again descended, and entered the town at the eastern end. The baying of the dogs attracted attention before they reached the borough, and many people were already wondering what the matter was. To their utter astonishment they saw the large buck coming up the street galloping gracefully. Each leap seemed to increase the distance between him and his pursuers. The barking excited other dogs who took up the chase afresh, and they added to the anxiety of the frightened deer. Before they cleared the town limits the pack of hounds increased to about twenty-five, and their vicious howls created more excitement than the fire bells ever did. The chase continued out towards Quakake where the deer again took the mountains and disappeared in its fastnesses.
It was indeed a break in the monotony of life in Weatherly, and the incident will be long remembered by all who witnessed it.—Hazleton Sentinel.

The Time for Building
Up the system is at this season. The cold weather has made unusual drains upon the vital forces. The blood has become impoverished and impure, and all the functions of the body suffer in consequence. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the great builder, because it is the One True Blood Purifier and nerve tonic.
Hood's Pills become the favorite cathartic with all who use them. All druggists. 25c.

A Babe on the Waters.
The Shamokin Herald says: With its little face all aglow with pleasure, a babe floated down the creek in a raisin box at Mt. Carmel Friday morning coming no one knows where, and landed into the arms of a kind-hearted farmer who refused to give his name, but took the little one to his home, which he said is near Elysburg.

The babe is apparently eight weeks old and is perfectly healthy. Discarded by some unhappy mother who probably desired to rid herself of her offspring because its advent had been unwelcome this little one had been placed in a box that had been carefully prepared for it, and put into the dirty waters of the creek to go where it might. But fate had been kind to the little outcast.

The farmer noticed several boys watching the box as it floated down the creek, and wondering as to its contents, started an investigation, which resulted in his lifting the babe out of its nest, where it had lain comfortably taking its morning meal from a bottle. The farmer said he had but one child, a daughter 23 years old, and as the infant was a boy he would adopt it.

He refused to give his name, but with the child carefully wrapped in an old overcoat, which he had in his wagon, started for his home in Elysburg.

"There is danger in delay."

Since 1861 I have been a great sufferer from catarrh. I tried Ely's Cream Balm and to all appearances am cured. Terrible headaches from which I had long suffered are gone.—W. J. Hitchcock, late Major U. S. Vol. and A. A. Gen., Buffalo, N. Y.

Ely's Cream Balm has completely cured me of catarrh when everything else failed. Many acquaintances have used it with excellent results.—Alfred W. Stevens, Caldwell, Ohio.

Best Quality!

Largest Size!

Lowest Price!



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Edward B. Harper, Founder. Frederick A. Burnham, President.
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—ANNUAL MEETING AND REPORT.
The Largest and Strongest Natural Premium Life Insurance Companies in the World.

\$69,000,000 of New Business in 1895.
\$308,660,000 of Business in Force.
\$4,084,075 of Death Claims paid in 1895.
\$25,000,000 of Death Claims paid since Business began.

1895 SHOWS — AN INCREASE IN GROSS ASSETS, AN INCREASE IN NET SURPLUS, AN INCREASE IN INCOME, AN INCREASE IN BUSINESS IN FORCE, OVER 105,800 MEMBERS INTERESTED.

The Annual Meeting of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association was held in the Association's Building, corner Broadway & Duane St., New York City, on Wednesday, January 22nd, and was attended by a large and representative gathering of policy holders who listened with keen interest to the masterly Annual Report of President Burnham.
Many policy holders evidently regarded this as a favorable opportunity to meet face to face the new chief executive officer of the Association, President Frederick A. Burnham, the man whose grasp of life insurance, whose keen executive ability and strong individuality have enabled him to take up the work laid down in death by the founder of the institution, the late Edward B. Harper, and make of the administration of his office of President, not an echo or copy of that of his predecessor, but a piece of finished work, characteristic of a man of independent views, and worthy to follow the work which had carried the Association to a position never attained in the same length of time by any life insurance organization in the world. It is rare, indeed, that a great institution like this passes, without check to its prosperity, through a change in the executive chief, for it is rare indeed that a chief like the late Mr. Harper finds so able a successor as President Burnham.

The record of the year 1895 speaks for itself, and shows the following gratifying results.
The GROSS ASSETS have increased during the year from \$5,536,115.99 to \$5,661,707.82.
The NET SURPLUS over liabilities shows a NET GAIN for the year of \$306,329.43, and now amounts to \$3,582,509.32.
The INCOME from all sources shows a gain for the year of \$631,541.97, and amounts to \$5,575,281.56.
DEATH CLAIMS to the amount of \$4,084,074.92 were paid during the year, an increase over the previous year of \$1,013,560.91.
The BUSINESS IN FORCE shows a gain for the year of \$15,293,265, and now amounts to \$308,659,371.
Counting three hundred working days in the year the daily average income for 1895 is \$18,584.27; the daily average payments for death claims, \$13,652.25, and the daily average gain in business in force within a fraction of \$51,000.

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KATE FIELD TALKS ON SUFFRAGE.

Women Should Be Allowed a Vote When They Are Ready for It.

Kate Field does not believe that many women desire to vote, although she believes in their inherent right to the ballot. She says, in a recent interview on the subject:

"Women are not sufficiently enlightened on the subject to want suffrage, and I am not so sure that it is wise to give anybody anything unless they show a desire for it. They would be just like deadheads, who always growl. They never appreciate what they get, while those who pay their way sit out the show, and generally like it. I believe in the justice of woman's suffrage. I believe they have as much right to it as men. I don't find that women in Wyoming and Colorado are a bit different from women in the States where they have no suffrage."

"Women want some mental dissipation. They want to get away from the humdrum existence they lead. Men have their clubs and political meetings and such things to give spice to their lives, but do not appreciate the narrowness of the circle in which women move. When women have such serious things as politics to interest them they will drop a great deal that is trifling. If anything in the world could reduce the number of hours women devote to shopping, what a blessing it would be! There are no gadders on earth like American women. If they gadded to some purpose—if they took up fine cooking or esthetic dressing, for instance—it would be different."

The President Held Her Hand.

A lady who is now visiting friends in Washington recalls a very amusing experience which happened when she was here several years ago and Mr. Cleveland was serving his first term in the White House. She, with a large number of others, was at one of the tri-weekly Presidential receptions, and, like some others, when she came to shake hands with the President got a trifle rattled and forgot the pretty speech she intended to deliver. Instead she grasped the President's hand, and, looking earnestly in his face, said: "How do you do, Grover?" She is a pretty woman, and the President is not averse to looking at a pretty woman, and even squeezing her hand. He held on to her hand and looked in her face, which finally became scarlet, although she could not refrain from laughing, especially as the President was laughing rather heartily himself. After waiting a few seconds, which seemed an hour to the lady, he replied: "I am very well indeed, and very happy to have met you. With a courtly bow he released her hand and she passed on. "What on earth was the President saying to you, and what did you say to him?" inquired a lady who was just behind, but she never told—not for a long time.—Washington Star.

Pat Lowered His Voice.

Father O'Halloran had a telephone put into the parsonage in connection with the church and the parochial school. Patrick McFee, his reverence's handy man, was instructed in the use of the instrument, and it was only the next day when Pat, dusting out the church, heard the ringing of the telephone bell. Taking down the receiver, Pat was pleased to hear Father O'Halloran's familiar voice asking him something or other about his work. In saying to answer he remembered that his reverence was a long way off, and therefore he shouted into the transmitter at the top of his voice.

"I don't understand you, Patrick," said the telephone.

Patrick tried again with no better success. On his third trial he came near splitting the telephone, but again came Father O'Halloran's voice, "I can't hear what you're saying, Patrick."

Pat had by this time lost something of his patience, and, as he stood gathering his breath for a fourth blast, he couldn't help soliloquizing, in a low tone: "Ah, may the devil fly away with the old fool!" But Pat dropped the telephone like a hot potato and fell to his knees in dismay when he heard Father O'Halloran's voice once again: "Now I hear you perfectly, Patrick!"—Boston Transcript.

Two Views of Life.

"We must accept the theory of eternal life," says the pessimist, "because we can explain the present existence upon no other theory than that it is a punishment for sins committed in a previous state."

"And I," says the optimist, "accept the theory of eternal life because it seems to me reasonable to expect a chance in a future state to correct the blunders I committed in this one."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Missed the Smoky Flavor.

Waiter—I can't satisfy that guest now. He says the steak don't taste right yet.

"Cook—Where's he from?"

"From the West."

"And this is Western beef?"

"I told him so, but he said it didn't taste right, somehow."

"Oh! I see. He's used to steak cooked on a soft coal fire. Hold it over that lamp chimney a while."—New York Weekly.

Involuntary Heart Action.

The action of the heart, lungs and digestive system is involuntary, for the reason that it is indispensable to life, and must be carried on under all circumstances. If a man had to think of his heart or had to remember that he must breathe, or that his food must digest, he would have no time to do anything else.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

The Shopping Mystery.

Mrs. Bargain—Why don't you charge a dollar for these goods, instead of ninety-nine cents?

Salesman—Why, ma'am, you're always sure to think of something else you want, while waiting for your change!—Truth.

ONE WAY TO DO IT.

And Old Flukes Found Out That Lots of Advice is Not to be Taken in Charity.

"Send those things to this address on Clybourn avenue," growled Old Flukes to the grocer, "and charge it to my account."

"Yes, sir."

"If they're thinking somebody is going to send them a turkey this year," he said to himself as he walked away, "they're mistaken, that's all. A fine ham and a barrel of apples are good enough for 'em. If they turn up their noses at that they don't deserve anything."

Presently Old Flukes found himself opposite a meat market and stepped inside.

"What's that worth?" he asked, pointing abruptly with his cane at a haunch of venison hanging on one of the hooks.

"That's worth \$4.60," said the man in the dirty white apron, weighing the chunk of meat.

"Wrap it up, and send it to this address on South Paulina street," rejoined Old Flukes, tossing a \$5 bill on the meat block. "It's too good for 'em," he muttered. "Likely as not they'll think it's a piece of old mutton and stew it with a lot of vegetables, but I'll have to let it go now. Send it this morning, sure," he added sharply, grabbing his change and shuffling out.

"I suppose I've got to do something for that family on West Ohio street," mused Old Flukes, with something like a sardonic grin on his face. "But if they've got their mouths fixed for a turkey they're going to be disappointed. They won't get one from me."

A few minutes later he went into a retail market and grumbly ordered a pair of dressed geese sent to the West Ohio street family.

Then he visited a dingy South Water street establishment and bought ten pounds of bear meat for a family on Aberdeen street.

"I want it sent there right away," he said, throwing down a bill.

"We don't run a delivery wagon," replied the man in the greasy overalls.

"Who said you did?" retorted Old Flukes. "You can call an expressman, can't you? There isn't any reason why you can't hire a messenger boy, is there? If you had to get this delivered on time or lose your job you'd find a way to do it, wouldn't you? Keep that hunk of meat where it's ordered, and see that it gets there, or by the great horn spoon I'll sue this house for damages! Do you understand?"

"Yes, sir," gasped the man in the greasy overalls. "I'll get 'er there right away."

Wiping the perspiration from his face, Old Flukes went out and invaded another South Water street establishment.

"What's that wild turkey hanging there worth?" he demanded.

"That's a fancy turkey," was the reply. "It's the biggest and finest one that's come in for a month, and it's perfectly fresh. For a wild turkey like that, you know—"

"You needn't make any apologies. What's that turkey worth?"

"Five dollars."

"Why couldn't you say so at first? Think I've got time to stand here all day? Here's the \$5. Now wrap up that corpse and keep your eye on it for about one minute."

Old Flukes hurried out and returned in a few minutes with a cab.

"Throwing the turkey inside he climbed in after it, growling to himself:

"There's such a beastly lack of originality about a turkey. It's what they all expect. But I don't see anything else that seemed to fill the bill. Driver!"

"Yes."

"Stop at an oyster house."

"Yes."

"And then go to a grocer's."

"Yes."

"And then I want you to drive me to No. 34½ Biler avenue. Understand?"

"Yes."

Oh, Mr. Flukes—

"That'll do, ma'am."

"How can we ever thank you—"

"I say that'll do, ma'am!"

"But at least let me express—"

"You needn't express anything, ma'am. Do you think I'm doing this out of the goodness of my heart? Well, I'm not!" he snorted. "I have put in the morning at this kind of work for no other purpose on earth than to work up an appetite for my Thanksgiving dinner. Cabby!"

"Yes."

"Take me down town again like a streak of lightning."

Old Flukes had worked up an appetite.—Chicago Tribune.

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About Even.

"Bessie, you have been eating molasses candy and playing with the torn sofa pillow. Your face is all covered with feathers. Ha! ha! ha! ha! ha!"

(Righteously indignant) —Mamma, your face'd look better if you'd put it together again.—Chicago Tribune.

Not Phased a Bit.

Dr. Sage—You are troubled with headaches, and you do not sleep well. Evidently, what you need is exercise. What is your occupation?

Patient—I'm a woodsawyer.

Dr. Sage—Well—er, suppose you do not grease your saw for a week or two.—Boston Transcript.

A Lively Trade.

Lawyer (to female witness)—What occasion did your husband follow?

Witness—He was a skipper.

Lawyer—Of a schooner.

Witness—No; of a bank. He skipped to Canada.—Texas Sittings.



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La Vallette Commandery, No. 91, stationed at Bloomsburg, had the following officers installed for the ensuing term, on March 6, by Deputy Grand Commander Sir E. S. Fornwald, assisted by several Past Commanders: Knight Commander—Millard McBride.

Generalissimo—Sir Robert B. Grotz. Captain General—Sir John A. Fortner. Prelate—Sir R. H. Ringler. Assistant Recorder—Sir Hervey Pegg. Treasurer—Sir C. P. Sloan. Senior Warden—Sir John W. Harman. Junior Warden—Sir L. A. Benshoff. Standard Bearer—Sir Wm. Traub. Sword Bearer—Sir Benj. Vinton. Warder—Sir A. Greatrex. Sentinel—Sir John W. Fry. 1st Guard—Sir A. L. McCloy. 2nd Guard—Sir C. S. Christman. Trustees—Sir F. W. Redeker. Representative to Grand Commandery—Sir Hervey Pegg.

After his Past Commander J. N. Hummer installed E. S. Fornwald as Recorder. A noteworthy fact in connection with the installation is that Companion Sloan is the only Treasurer the Commandery has ever had, being re-elected for the tenth consecutive term. After the installation the ladies of the Commandery served a banquet to which ample justice was done by the large concourse present.

Freezing the Grain.

Farmers complain that the grain fields, owing to a lack of snow covering, are suffering from the cold snaps experienced recently. Some express the fear that for this reason the next harvest may not be as abundant as hoped for.

Washington Camp No. 503, P. O. S. of A. at Jonestown expect to celebrate July 4th in grand style, and have already commenced making arrangements for the appointment of committees.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. A pleasant laxative. All Druggists.

THAT PIGEON SHOOT.

The following correspondence will explain itself. Comments are unnecessary.

Bloomsburg, Penna., Feb. 29, 1896. To Messrs. Grier Matthew Quick and Fred Taylor Ikeler:—

SIRS:— We, the undersigned, hereby challenge you to shoot against us in a pigeon match, at any time and place named by you and under the following conditions:—

1st. Each man to shoot at ten live, sound and healthy birds.

2nd. American Association rules to govern said contest.

3rd. The losing side to pay for all birds trapped.

This challenge must be accepted within five days or the match will be declared off for the reason that our time is entirely too valuable to be wasted in waiting for the acceptance of a challenge from second class shooters.

Respectfully,
WM. H. SNYDER,
FRANK IKELER.

Bloomsburg, Pa., March 2nd, 1896. To Wm. H. Snyder and Frank Ikeler:—

Dear Little Boys:—

After considering your mental infirmity and weakness of intellect we have decided to kindly pardon the presumption which prompted your challenge of the 29th; and believing that you ought to receive the benefit of an exhibition of our superior skill and marksmanship, and thus learn your real insignificance as shooters, we have concluded to accept your challenge in a spirit of charity and benevolence toward you. Of course you must not begrudge the expenses of the birds, remembering that you will reap untold profit from being thus kindly permitted to witness our skill. If after the shoot you haven't the necessary money to defray expenses Mr. Snyder can obtain from Oliver Wilson, Poor Director, an order for "outside relief." Let us advise you not to be "puffed up with pride" because we have accepted your challenge but receive the same with all due thanks and humiliation, remembering that we only grant you this unusual privilege that you may be benefited thereby.

Very Truly Yours
FRED IKELER,
G. M. QUICK.

The match took place and here is the score.

SIZE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Missed
Frank Ikeler	12	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	1	0	4
Fred Ikeler	2	2	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	6
G. M. Quick	2	0	0	0	1	2	2	1	0	0	5
Wm. H. Snyder	1	1	1	0	1	2	1	0	1	1	3

x—Dead out of bounds.
1—First barrel.
2—Second barrel.
0—Missed.
Referee—Clark Hagenbuch.
Scorer and Trapper—W. S. Rishton.

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Pleasant
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Pellets

The Little Giant Cathartic.
Mild and Pleasant but Searching
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These little "Pellets," or Sugar-coated Anti-Bilious Granules, Cure

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a vigorous body and robust strength, follow good health. But all fall when the vital powers are weakened. Nervous debility and loss of manly power result from bad habits, contracted by the young through ignorance of their ruinous consequences. Low spirits, melancholia, impaired memory, morose or irritable temper, fear of impending calamity and a thousand and one derangements of body and mind, result from such pernicious practices. All these are permanently cured, by improved methods of treatment, without the patient leaving home.

A medical treatise, written in plain but chaste language, treating of the nature, symptoms and curability of such diseases, sent, securely sealed in a plain envelope, on receipt of this notice, with to cts. in stamps, for postage. Address, WORLD'S DISPENSARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, Buffalo, N. Y.

COURT HOUSE NEWS.

What Has Occurred There Since Our Former Report.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by Clerk G. M. Quick since those last published.

William E. George, of Franklin township, to Mary A. Lieby of Montana.

Percy M. McHenry, of Fishing-creek township, to Miss Hattie Fausey, of Bloomsburg.

Harry C. Wheeler, of Berwick, to Miss Vernie Kingsbury, of the same place.

Benjamin D. Bruch, of Emmons, to Miss Hattie E. Mosteller, of Guava.

Fenton Shiffer, of Sugarloaf township, to Miss Esther I. Sutliff, of the same place.

TRANSFER OF REAL ESTATE.

The following deeds have been entered in the Recorder's office since those last published.

Charles H. Zehnder, to Rosalie Zehnder, for land in Berwick.

D. E. Kile, et al. to Christian Kile, for land in Jackson township.

J. M. C. Ranck ex, to Harriet Sankey, for land in Scott township.

James W. Sankey, to J. M. C. Ranck, for land in Scott township.

Alexander Kramer & Co., to George Morden, for land in Greenwood township.

Michael Strauss, to Michael P. Hill, for land in Locust township.

J. S. McMurtrie, to William Ross, for land in Berwick.

Mary Appleman, to Sarah Summers, for land in Buckhorn.

Moses Y. Wright, to Josephine J. Grimes for land in Light Street.

Thomas C. Prichard, to same, for land in Bloomsburg.

Sarah Mensinger, to Michael J. Kessler, for land in Pine township.

Daniel Honaberger, to W. H. Dimick, for land in Cleveland township.

S. F. Stackhouse, to P. A. Norquist, for land in Fishingcreek township.

Samuel Yorks Adner, to James Hess, for land in Sugarloaf township.

J. W. Knouse, to Eliza J. Hess for land in same township.

Elijah Hess, to Charles Herring, for land in Beaver township.

Daniel Singley, to same, for land in same township.

Daniel Reedy, to Levi Shaffer, for land in Briarcreek township.

James B. Fenstamacher, to Amos G. Kishbaugh, for land in Foundryville.

William W. Bower, to C. R. Bower, for land in Briarcreek township.

J. Frank Bower, to Jennie E. Bower, for land in Berwick.

Henry R. Getty, to Jessie F. Kester for land in Millville.

Isaac G. Pursel, to M. A. Moore, for land in Hemlock township.

C. L. Cronin, to R. T. Smith & Son, for land in Bloomsburg.

OPINIONS FILED BY THE COURT.

On Wednesday, March 11th, Judge Ikeler filed opinions as follows:

Zaner & Pursel vs. William Ferguson. Rule to show cause why judgment shall not be opened and defendant let into a defense. Rule made absolute.

W. D. Weidenhamer vs. Barbara A. Blue et al. Sci. fa. to revive, and motion for judgment for want of a sufficient affidavit of defense. Rule discharged and motion overruled.

William Hoffman, admr., vs. William Hopper et al. Sci. fa. sur mortgage and rule for judgment for want of sufficient affidavit of defense. Motion dismissed and rule discharged.

In the contested election case of John W. Fortner and Geo. W. Davis for the office of school director in the Borough of Centralia, the injunction was dissolved and rule dismissed.

Register and Recorder Ent has recovered from his long illness sufficiently to enable him to attend to his official duties.

Delilah Sterner vs. the Town of Bloomsburg. Damages for change of grade. Exceptions to petition and proceedings dismissed, petition sustained and viewers appointed.

PRESIDENT AND CABINET.

General Harrison Describes the Duties of the Chief Executive's Advisers.

"In all important matters the President is consulted by all the Secretaries," writes ex-President Harrison in March Ladies' Home Journal in an article upon "The President's Duties."

"He is responsible for all executive action, and everything that is out of the routine receives his attention. Every important foreign complication is usually discussed with him, and the diplomatic note receives his approval. The same thing is true of each of the departments. Routine matters proceed without the knowledge or interference of the President; but, if any matter of major importance arises the Secretary presents it for the consideration and advice of the President. Only matters of great and general importance affecting the general policy of the administration are discussed in the Cabinet meetings—according to my experience—and votes are of rare

occurrence. Any Secretary desiring to have an expression upon any question in his department presents it, and it is discussed; but usually questions are settled in a conference between the President and the head of the particular department. There is a yielding of views, now on one side, now on the other; but it must, of course, follow that when the President has views that he feels he cannot yield, those views must prevail, for the responsibility is his, both in a Constitutional and popular sense. My habit was to give an afternoon to each Cabinet officer, on a fixed day of the week. These meetings were chiefly given up to the consideration of appointments, but if any other matters were pending, and deemed by the Secretary of sufficient importance, they were presented and discussed. The labors of a Cabinet officer are incessant and full of responsibility. His time is largely taken up with calls, and, like the President, he must, out of such fragments of time as he can secure, manage to study and decide the important questions that are daily presented to him. Certain appointments, chiefly of a clerical character, are by law given to the heads of the departments, and with these the President usually refuses to interfere, though often urged to do so. It was my practice to refuse to send any card of recommendation to a Secretary, though I spent many a weary hour explaining to friends why I could not do so."

We are requested to publish the following notice:

An upheaval in Orangeville. The decree has gone forth, that all persons in Orangeville signing petition to grant license to sell intoxicating liquors in this place, their names will be published here after

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Supt. Press Work.

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This is raised upon corn, and killed when the meat is good and tender. We have the finest class of trade in Bloomsburg. Our customers are pleased with the meat we sell.

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New line of outing flannels, in light and dark, at 9c. and 10c. yd.
Dish pans, 16c., 18c. and 21c. each.
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Large flour sifters, 10c. each.
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Clothes pins, 4 doz. for 5c.
Buggy whips, 8c., 12c., and 16c. each.
Cook books, 24c. each.
Cloth bound novels, 12c. each.
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